## **Supporting Information**

## Construction of Methylenecycloheptane Frameworks through 7-*Exo-dig* Cyclization of Acetylenic Silyl Enol Ethers Catalyzed by Triethynylphosphine–Gold Complex

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## General.

NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Gemini 2000 spectrometer, operating at 300 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H NMR, 75.4 MHz for <sup>13</sup>C NMR and 121.4 MHz for <sup>31</sup>P NMR. Chemical shift values for <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>31</sup>P NMR are reference to Me<sub>4</sub>Si, the residual solvent resonances and external aqueous 85% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> respectively. Mass spectrometry (JEOL JMS-FABmate for EI-MS, JEOL JMS-700TZ for ESI-MS) and elemental analysis were performed at the Instrumental Analysis Division, Equipment Management Center, Creative Research Institution, Hokkaido University. Triethynylphosphine ligand L1 was prepared according to the reported procedure.<sup>1</sup> AgNTf<sub>2</sub> was prepared from Ag<sub>2</sub>O and HN(SO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>.<sup>2</sup> AgSbF<sub>6</sub>, AgBF<sub>4</sub> and AgOTf were purchased from Aldrich. Phosphine ligands, PPh<sub>3</sub> and P(OPh)<sub>3</sub> were commercially available. Gold complexes [AuCl(ligand)] were synthesized by the reported method.<sup>1</sup> MS4A was purchased from Junsei Chemical Co. Anhydrous solvents used in the synthesis of materials were purchased from Kanto Chemical Co. and used without further purification. Anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and DCE were purchased from Kanto Chemical Co. and Aldrich, respectively. Anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, DCE, MeOH, 1.0 M 'BuOH in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and 1.0 M 'BuOH in DCE used in Au-catalyzed cyclizations were degassed and dried with MS4A before use, and their water amount (almost always under 15 ppm) was measured by Karl Fisher's moisture meter (Kyoto Electronics Manufacturing Co. Ltd., MKC-520). Gel permeation chromatography (GPC) was performed by LC-908 (Japan Analytical Industry Ltd., two in-line JAIGEL-2H, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 3.5 mL/min, UV and RI detectors). TLC analyses were performed on commercial glass plates bearing 0.25-mm layer of Merck Silica gel 60F<sub>254</sub>. Silica gel (Kanto Chemical Co., Silica gel 60 N, spherical, neutral) was used for column chromatography. PTLC purification was performed on commercial glass plates bearing 1-mm layer of Merck Silica gel 60F<sub>254</sub>. All reactions were carried out under argon atmosphere unless otherwise noted.

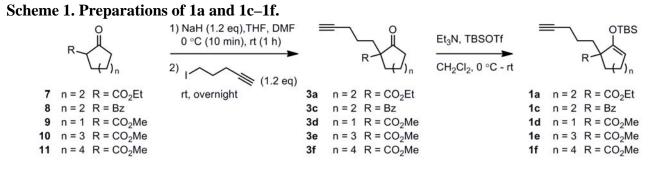
## **Preparation of Cationic Gold-Phosphine Complexs**<sup>1</sup>

[AuCl(ligand)] (1 eq) was placed in an open vial tube, and was dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (ca. 0.1 M). AgX (>1.5 eq) was added, and a mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 10 min. The resulting white suspension was filtered through celite to a screw vial. The resulting colorless solution was first concentrated with a stream of Ar gas, and then was dried *in vacuo* to give [AuX(ligand)].

## General Procedure for Cyclization of Alkynyl Silyl Enol Ethers.

MS4A (ca. 100 mg) was added to a Schlenk tube, and vigorously stirred with heating by heat gun for 5 min in *vacuo*. Then, a flask was cooled to rt and charged with Ar. Au catalyst,  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3.9 mL) and 1.0 M <sup>t</sup>BuOH in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (0.10 mL, 0.10 mmol) were added to a Schlenk tube in this order. The reaction vessel was placed into water bass (for 25 °C or 40 °C) or oil bass (for 80 °C). The alkynyl silyl enol ether (0.10 mmol) was weighed into micro tube and diluted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (0.25 mL). The mixture was added dropwise to the Schlenk tube by a well dried 250 µL syringe over 1 min. The substrate solutions remaining in the micro tube and the syringe were washed with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3 × 0.25 mL) and added to the reaction mixture. The mixture was stirred at appropriate temperature. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the resulting mixture was passed through a pad of silica gel and concentrated to dryness. Purification by flash chromatography on silica gel or PTLC gave the cyclization product.

## **Preparation of Substrates.**



Ethyl 2-Oxo-1-(4-pentyn-1-yl)cyclohexanecarboxylate (3a)



To a suspension of NaH (60 wt. %, 910 mg, 22.8 mmol) in THF (10 mL) and DMF (10 mL) was added dropwise ethyl 2-oxocyclohexanecarboxylate (**7**) (3.28 mL, 20.0 mmol) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at this temperature for 10 min and at room temperature for 1 h. Then, 5-iodo-1-pentyne (4.67 g, 24.1 mmol) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 18 h (monitored by TLC). The resulting suspension was diluted with ether, and quenched with saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl. The organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (3 × 20 mL), and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with ether (3 × 20 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 99:1 to 92:8) to afford **3a** as a colorless oil (4.68 g, 99%). IR (neat) 636, 1181, 1708, 2941, 3287 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.27 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.35–1.80 (m, 7H), 1.89–2.06 (m, 2H), 1.95 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.19 (td, *J* = 6.9, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 2.37–2.56 (m, 3H), 4.24 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  13.80, 18.43, 22.20, 23.10, 27.25, 33.54, 35.77, 40.74, 60.29, 60.94, 68.42, 83.60, 171.78, 207.72. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 259.13047. Found: *m/z* 259.13018.

#### Ethyl 2-(tert-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-1-(4-pentyn-1-yl)-2-cyclohexenecarboxylate (1a)



To a solution of **3a** (1.19 g, 5.05 mmol) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (1.39 mL, 10.0 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL), TBSOTf (1.76 mL, 7.51 mmol) was added at 0 °C under Ar atmosphere, then the reaction mixture was slowly warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight. The resulting suspension was diluted with ether, and quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was washed with water (2 × 10 mL) and brine (10 mL), and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with ether (3 × 10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 99.5:0.5 to 97:3) provided **1a** as a colorless oil (1.66 g, 94%). IR (neat) 777, 833, 926, 1156, 1662, 1726, 2931, 2951, 3313 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.14 (s, 3H), 0.17 (s, 3H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 1.25 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.42–1.72 (m, 5H), 1.88–1.89 (m, 2H), 1.94 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.95–2.08 (m, 3H), 2.19 (td, *J* = 7.2, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 4.03–4.21 (m, 2H), 4.84 (aprox. dd, *J* = 4.5, 3.6 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –5.46, –4.55, 14.07, 17.85, 18.84, 19.19, 23.57, 23.82, 25.46, 31.81, 34.22, 50.53, 60.34, 68.16, 84.39, 103.93, 149.80, 175.81. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Si: C, 68.52; H, 9.78%. Found: C, 68.21; H, 9.78%.

#### Ethyl 1-(4-Pentyn-1-yl)-2-(triisopropylsiloxy)-2-cyclohexenecarboxylate (1b)

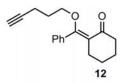


To a solution of **3a** (1.19 g, 5.05 mmol) and 2,6-lutidine (0.399 mL, 3.40 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3.4 mL), TIPSOTF (0.685 mL, 2.55 mmol) was added at 0 °C under Ar atmosphere. Then the reaction mixture was slowly warmed to room temperature and stirred for 18 h. The resulting suspension was diluted with ether, and quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was washed with water (2 × 5 mL) and brine (5 mL), and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with ether (3 × 5 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 99.5:0.5 to 97:3) provided **1b** as a colorless oil (0.645 g, 97%). IR (neat) 624, 881, 925, 1185, 1463, 1662, 1727, 2866, 2943, 3313 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.03–1.20 (s, 21H), 1.24 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.52–1.68 (m, 5H), 1.80–2.00 (m, 3H), 1.93 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.19 (td, *J* = 7.2, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 4.00–4.21 (m, 2H), 4.85 (t, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  12.66, 14.02, 17.97, 18.08, 18.90, 19.15, 23.63, 23.79, 31.74, 34.37, 50.49, 60.35, 68.13, 84.41, 103.16, 150.01, 175.75. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>40</sub>O<sub>3</sub>SiNa [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 415.26389. Found: *m/z* 415.26293.

## 2-Benzoyl-2-(4-pentyn-1-yl)cyclohexanone (3c)



The compound **3c** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **3a**, employing 2-benzoylcyclohexanone **8** (2.01 g, 10.0 mmol), NaH (481 mg, 12.0 mmol), 5-iodo-1-pentyne (2.33 g, 12.0 mmol) and hexane/EtOAc (99:1 to 85:15) as an eluent. Colorless oil (951 mg, 35%). IR (neat) 634, 689, 1212, 1667, 1709, 2943, 3292 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.13–1.30 (m, 1H), 1.35–1.58 (m, 2H), 1.63–1.85 (m, 3H), 1.87 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.92–2.34 (m, 6H), 2.39–2.48 (m, 1H), 2.87–2.96 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.57 (m, 1H), 7.83–7.88 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  18.58, 22.05, 22.56, 28.92, 34.32, 37.42, 42.83, 66.30, 68.63, 83.54, 128.70, 128.72, 133.08, 136.54, 197.75, 212.25. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 291.12555. Found: *m/z* 291.13521. *O*-Alkylation product **12** was also obtained as by-product (ca. 35%).



## [2-(tert-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-1-(4-pentyn-1-yl)-2-cyclohexen-1-yl](phenyl)methanone (1c)



The compound **1c** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, employing **3c** (674 mg, 2.51 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.525 mL, 3.77 mmol), TBSOTf (0.706 mL, 3.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) and hexane/EtOAc (99.5:0.5 to 95:5) as an eluent. Colorless oil (861 mg, 90%). IR (neat) 832, 1174, 1249, 1655, 1680, 2930, 2950, 3311 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –0.05 (s, 3H), 0.12 (s, 3H), 0.65 (s, 9H), 1.55–1.81 (m, 5H), 1.90–2.09 (m, 3H), 2.11–2.31 (m, 5H), 4.89 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.49 (m, 1H), 7.93–8.00 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –5.31, –5.22, 17.51, 18.63, 19.00, 23.64, 24.38, 25.09, 31.72, 35.92, 54.91, 68.08, 84.33, 101.95, 127.71, 128.48, 131.35, 137.72, 152.13, 203.49. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>35</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Si [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 383.24063. Found: *m/z* 383.24211.

## Methyl 2-Oxo-1-(4-pentyn-1-yl)cyclopentanecarboxylate (3d)



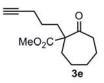
The compound **3d** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **3a**, employing methyl 2-oxocyclopentanecarboxylate **9** (1.24 mL, 9.99 mmol), NaH (482 mg, 12.0 mmol) and 5-iodo-1-pentyne (2.15 g, 11.1 mmol). Purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 99:1 to 85:15) provided **3d** as a mixture of a trace amount of impurities. This mixture was used in the next step without further purification.

## Methyl 2-(tert-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-1-(4-pentyn-1-yl)-2-cyclopentenecarboxylate (1d)



The compound **1d** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, employing **3d** (a mixture of impurities, <9.99 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.03 mL, 14.6 mmol), TBSOTf (2.27 mL, 9.68 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) and hexane/EtOAc (99.5:0.5 to 95:5) as an eluent. Colorless oil (2.14 g, 2 steps overall 96%). IR (neat) 781, 837, 854, 1251, 1647, 1730, 2858, 2931, 2951, 3313 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.16 (s, 3H), 0.20 (s, 3H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 1.46–1.61 (m, 2H), 1.70–1.96 (m, 3H), 1.98 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.19–2.28 (m, 3H), 2.30–2.41 (m, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 4.69 (br d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –5.79, –5.12, 17.64, 18.65, 23.57, 25.21, 26.20, 31.53, 33.55, 51.44, 57.85, 68.22, 84.09, 102.23, 154.06, 175.66. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>3</sub>SiNa [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 345.18564. Found: *m/z* 345.18531.

## Methyl 2-Oxo-1-(4-pentyn-1-yl)cycloheptanecarboxylate (3e)



The compound **3e** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **3a**, employing methyl 2-oxocycloheptanecarboxylate **10** (1.58 g, 10.0 mmol), NaH (482 mg, 12.1 mmol), 5-iodo-1-pentyne (2.15 g, 11.1 mmol) and hexane/EtOAc (99:1 to 85:15) as an eluent. Colorless oil (2.26 g, 96%). R (neat) 631, 1150, 1168, 1224, 1701, 1732, 2962, 2934, 3286 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.40–1.82 (m, 10H), 1.95 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.00–2.24 (m, 4H), 2.44–2.54 (m, 1H), 2.58–2.68 (m, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  18.52, 23.56, 24.59, 25.37, 29.66, 32.61, 34.33, 41.77, 52.01, 62.47, 68.54, 83.65, 172.90, 209.48. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 259.13047. Found: *m/z* 259.13016.

## Methyl 2-(tert-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-1-(4-pentyn-1-yl)-2-cycloheptenecarboxylate (1e)



The compound **1e** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, employing **3e** (958 mg, 4.06 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (1.70 mL, 12.2 mmol), TBSOTf (1.90 mL, 8.10 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (8.1 mL) and hexane/EtOAc/Et<sub>3</sub>N (99:0:1 to 95:4:1) as an eluent. Colorless oil (1.24 g, 87%). IR (neat) 776, 837, 1164, 1732, 2858, 2930, 2950, 3313 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.14 (s, 3H), 0.16 (s, 3H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 1.48–1.75 (m, 6H), 1.79–2.95 (m, 5H), 1.96–2.05 (m, 2H), 2.20 (td, *J* = 7.2, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 4.97 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 5.7 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –5.18, –4.70, 17.89, 18.87, 22.69, 23.47, 23.58, 25.50, 26.43, 31.35, 35.40, 51.38, 55.99, 68.20, 84.36, 108.47, 153.13, 175.54. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>3</sub>SiNa [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m*/z 373.21694. Found: *m*/z 373.21606

#### Methyl 2-Oxo-1-(4-pentyn-1-yl)cyclooctanecarboxylate (3f)



The compound **3f** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **3a**, employing methyl 2-oxocyclooctanecarboxylate **11**<sup>3</sup> (1.47 g, 8.03 mmol), NaH (386 mg, 9.64 mmol), 5-iodo-1-pentyne (1.87 g, 9.64 mmol) and hexane/EtOAc (99:1 to 85:15) as an eluent. Colorless oil (1.81 g, 90%). IR (neat) 631, 1077, 1166, 1219, 1704, 2858, 2930, 3287 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.90–1.05 (m, 1H), 1.26–1.90 (m, 9H), 1.95 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.97–2.32 (m, 6H), 2.43–2.55 (m, 1H), 2.71 (td, *J* = 12.0, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  18.51, 22.87, 23.61, 23.90, 25.23, 28.13, 29.03, 29.88, 38.28, 52.12, 61.82, 68.46, 83.67, 172.19, 212.25. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 71.97; H, 8.86%. Found: C, 71.69; H, 8.90%.

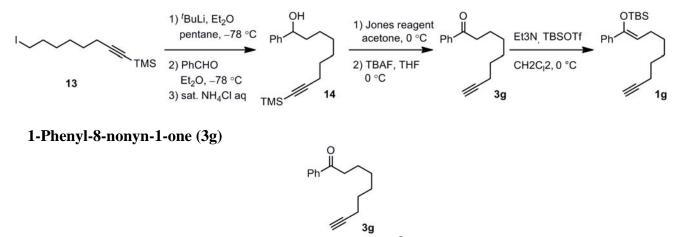
## Methyl 2-(tert-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-1-(4-pentyn-1-yl)-2-cyclooctenecarboxylate (1f)



The compound **1f** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, employing **3f** (785 mg, 3.13 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (1.31 mL, 9.40 mmol), TBSOTf (1.47, 3.01 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) and

hexane/EtOAc (99.5:0.5 to 95:5) as an eluent. Colorless oil (861 mg, 90%). IR (neat) 627, 776, 837, 1146, 1648, 1731, 2929, 2950, 3313 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.18 (s, 6H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 1.32–1.45 (m, 1H), 1.46–1.67 (m, 6H), 1.73–2.03 (m, 5H), 1.93 (t, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.13–2.42 (m, 2H), 2.18 (td, J = 7.8, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 4.75 (dd, J = 11.5, 9.3 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –5.15, –5.55, 17.92, 18.79, 22.94, 23.10, 23.41, 25.40, 25.59, 27.36, 34.13, 36.79, 51.24, 56.23, 68.23, 84.35, 104.81, 152.01, 175.55. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Si: C, 69.18; H, 9.95%. Found: C, 68.83; H, 10.02%.

## Scheme 2. Preparation of 1g.<sup>4</sup>



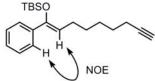
To a solution of the 8-iodo-1-trimethylsilyl-1-octyne  $(13)^5$  (1.96 g 6.35 mmol) in pentane/Et<sub>2</sub>O (3:2, 60 mL) was added dropwise <sup>1</sup>BuLi (7.98 mL of 1.59 M in Et<sub>2</sub>O, 12.7 mmol) at -78 °C under Ar atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 20 min. Then a solution of benzaldehyde (656 mg, 6.15 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (6 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h before being quenched with saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl. The organic layer was washed with water (2 × 50 mL) and brine (50 mL), and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with ether (3 × 50 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford **14** as a crude product. This crude product was used in the next step without further purification.

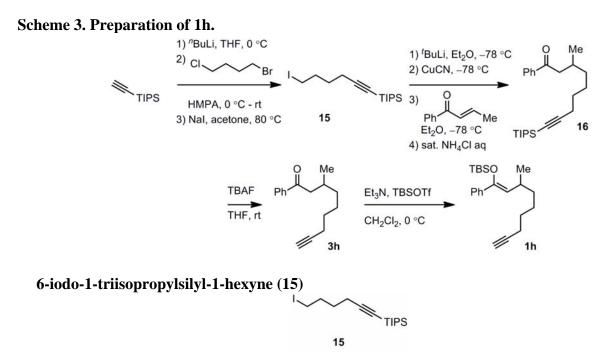
To a solution of **14** (6.15 mmol) in acetone (25 mL), Jones reagent (6.50 mL of 1.00 M in  $H_2SO_4$  and  $H_2O$ , 6.50 mmol) was added dropwise at 0 °C under air and a mixture was stirred at this temperature for 15 min. Then MeOH (5 mL) was added at 0 °C, and the precipitates were filtered off and washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (30 mL). The filtrate was washed with brine (2 × 50 mL) and 15% NaOH (50 mL), and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with ether (3 × 50 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford 1-phenyl-9-(trimethylsilyl)-8-nonyn-1-one as a crude product.

To a solution of this crude product (895 mg, 3.12 mmol) in THF (6.2 mL), TBAF (3.44 mL of 1.0 M in THF, 3.44 mL) was added at 0 °C. After stirring at this temperature for 6 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (10 mL) and Et<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL). The organic layer was washed with water (3 × 10 mL), and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with ether (3 × 10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford **3g** as a crude product. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 99:1 to 95:5) to afford **3g** as a white solid (466 mg, 3 steps overall 35%). IR (neat) 624, 688, 1266, 1447, 1679, 2859, 2932, 3289, 3306 cm<sup>-1</sup>; Mp 31.5–33.6 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.35–1.62 (m, 6H), 1.76 (quint, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.94 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (td, *J* = 6.9, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 2.98 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.43–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.53–7.60 (m, 1H), 7.94–7.99 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  17.95, 23.73, 27.91, 28.18, 28.41, 38.06, 68.10, 84.24, 127.83, 128.37, 132.71, 136.85, 200.11. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O: C, 84.07; H, 8.47%. Found: C, 83.72; H, 8.48%.



The compound 1g was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of 1a, employing 3g (446 mg, 2.09 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.873 mL, 4.18 mmol), TBSOTf (0.980 mL, 4.18 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4.1 mL) and hexane/EtOAc (99.5/0.5 to 95/5) as the eluent. Colorless oil (651 mg, 95%, E/Z = 14/86). IR (neat) 626, 696, 765, 778, 836, 1063, 1253, 2857, 2930, 3312 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR of (*E*)-1g (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 0.06 (s, 0.86×6H), 0.03 (s, 0.14×6H), 0.91 (s, 0.14×9H), 0.98 (s, 0.86×9H), 1.35–1.55 (m, 6H), 1.93 (m,  $0.14 \times 1H$ , 1.94 (t, J = 2.7 Hz,  $0.86 \times 1H$ ), 2.05-2.24 (m, 6H), 5.01 (t, J = 7.2 Hz,  $0.14 \times 1H$ ), 5.10 (t, J = 1.00 Hz,  $0.14 \times 1H$ ),  $0.14 \times$ 7.2 Hz,  $0.86 \times 1$ H), 7.19–7.37 (m, 3H), 7.40–7.45 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR of (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –4.24 (0.86×1C), -4.71 (0.14×1C), 17.97 (0.14×1C), 18.13 (0.86×1C), 18.15 (0.14×1C), 18.20 (0.86×1C), 25.61 (0.14×1C), 25.73 (0.86×1C), 25.86 (0.86 ×1C), 27.28 (0.14×1C), 28.13 (0.14×1C), 28.23 (0.86×1C), 28.42 (0.86×1C), 29.02 (0.86×1C), 30.09 (0.14×1C), 68.16 (0.14×1C), 68.16 (1C), 84.38 (0.14×1C), 84.43 (0.86×1C), 110.96 (0.14×1C), 111.64 (0.86×1C), 125.87 (0.86×1C), 127.36 (0.86×1C), 127.60 (0.14×1C), 127.74 (0.14×1C), 127.88 (0.86×1C), 128.32 (0.14×1C), 137.93 (0.14×1C), 139.83 (0.86×1C), 149.44 (0.86×1C), 149.55 (0.14×1C). Another one peak of E-isomer was probably overlapped with that of Z-isomer. HRMS (APCI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for  $C_{21}H_{33}OSi [M+H]^+$ : m/z 329.22952. Found: m/z 329.22888. The geometry of major Z-isomer was confirmed by an NOE experiment as shown below.



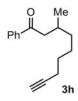


To a solution of triisopropylsilylacetylene (3.55 g, 19.5 mmol) in THF (40 mL) was added <sup>*n*</sup>BuLi (11.6 mL of 1.67 M in hexane, 19.4 mL) at 0 °C, and the mixture was stirred at this temperature for 1 h. Then 1-bromo-4-chloro-butane (3.16 g, 18.2 mmol) and HMPA (3.38 mL, 19.4 mmol was added at 0 °C , and the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 15 h. The

resulting mixture was treated with saturated aqueous  $NH_4Cl$  (30 mL) and hexane (30 mL), and the aqueous layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with water (30 mL) and brine (30 mL), and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with hexane (3 × 30 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the 6-chloro-1-triisopropylsilyl-1-hexyne as a crude product (pale yellow oil, 4.99 g). This crude product was used in the next step without further purification.

To a solution of 6-chloro-1-triisopropylsilyl-1-hexyne (4.99 g) in acetone (100 mL), NaI (14.6 g, 96.9 mmol) was added, and the mixture was stirred at 80 °C overnight. The resulting orange suspension was cooled to rt, solvent was removed by an evaporator, and saturated aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (50 mL) and hexane (100 mL) was added. The organic layer was washed with water (2 × 50 mL) and brine (50 mL), and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with hexane (3 × 50 mL). The organic layer was combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash silica gel column purification (hexane) of the crude product afforded **15** as a colorless oil (5.58 g, 2 steps overall 84%). IR (neat) 659, 674, 882, 1462, 2171, 2863, 2941 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.00–1.10 (m, 21H), 1.65 (quint., *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.98 (quint., *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.30 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.23 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.04, 11.10, 18.49, 18.60, 29.21, 32.12, 80.99, 107.92. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>29</sub>ISi [M]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 364.10832. Found: *m/z* 364.10752.

#### 3-Methyl-1-phenyl-8-nonyn-1-one (3h)



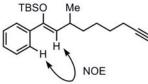
To a solution of **15** (4.64 g, 12.7 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (120 mL) was added <sup>t</sup>BuLi (16.3 mL of 1.55 M in pentane, 25.3 mmol) at -78 °C, and the mixture was stirred for 40 min. Then, CuCN (533 mg, 6.36 mmol) was added one portion to a mixture, and the pale yellow suspension was stirred at -78 °C for additional 15 min. To this suspension, a solution of (*E*)-1-phenyl-2-buen-1-one (888 mg, 6.07 mmol) was added dropwise at -78 °C over 7 min. The resulting dark red solution was quenched with saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (120 mL) after being stirred for 20 min (the consumption of SM was checked by TLC), and a mixture was stirred until the color of organic phase turned to blue. The organic phase was washed with saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (5 × 100 mL), and separated, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the 1,4-adduct **16** as a crude product (yellow oil, 3.51 g,). The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 99.5:0.5 to 97:3) to afford **16** as a colorless oil (611 mg, 26%).

To a solution of **16** (611 mg, 1.59 mmol) in THF (8.0 mL), TBAF (2.38 mL of 1.0 M in THF, 2.38 mL) was added at 0 °C. After stirring at room temperature for 13 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (10 mL) and Et<sub>2</sub>O (5 mL). The organic layer was washed with water (3 × 10 mL), and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with ether (3 × 10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford **3h** as a crude product. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 99:1 to 96:4) to afford **3h** as a colorless oil (272 mg, 75%). IR (neat) 631, 690, 751, 1213, 1448, 1682, 2861, 2934, 3301 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.97 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.20–1.58 (m, 6H), 1.94 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.11–2.23 (m, 3H), 2.77 (dd, *J* = 15.8, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (dd, *J* = 15.8, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.53–7.60 (m, 1H), 7.93–7.98 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  18.05, 19.69, 25.81, 28.23, 29.30, 36.20, 45.62, 68.16, 84.32, 127.99, 128.47, 132.79, 137.33, 200.21. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O: C, 84.16; H, 8.83%. Found: C, 83.96; H, 8.90%.

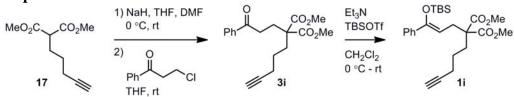
#### (Z)-tert-Butyldimethyl[(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1-nonen-8-yn-1-yl)oxy]silane (1h) (E/Z = 13/87)



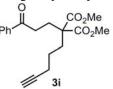
The compound **1h** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, employing **3h** (257 mg, 1.13 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.235 mL, 1.69 mmol), TBSOTf (0.317 mL, 1.35 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5.6 mL) and hexane/EtOAc (99.5:0.5 to 97:3) as an eluent. Colorless oil (342 mg, 89%, E/Z = 13/87). IR (neat) 626, 697, 764, 778, 836, 1062, 1255, 1647, 2858, 2930, 2954, 3313 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR of (**Z**)-**1h** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –0.10 (s, 3H), –0.03 (s, 3H), 0.98 (s, 9H), 1.01 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.24–1.58 (m, 6H), 1.93 (t, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (td, J = 6.9, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 2.62–2.74 (m, 1H), 4.85 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17–7.36 (m, 3H), 7.39–7.45 (m, 2H). [(**E**)-**1h**: 4.79 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H)]. <sup>13</sup>C NMR of (**Z**)-**1h** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –4.28, –4.11, 18.13, 18.27, 20.82, 25.80, 26.53, 28.54, 30.08, 37.07, 68.13, 84.48, 118.23, 126.18, 127.40, 127.86, 140.01, 148.62. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>24</sub>OSi: C, 77.13; H, 10.00%. Found: C, 76.74; H, 10.04%. The geometry of major Z-isomer was confirmed by an NOE experiment as shown below.





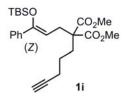




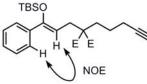


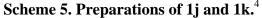
The compound **3i** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **3a**, employing dimethyl 2-(4-pentyn-1-yl)malonate (**17**) (1.13 g, 5.04 mmol), NaH (241 mg, 6.00 mmol), 3-chloro-1-phenyl-1-propanone (1.05 g, 5.99 mmol), NaI (75.1 mg, 0.500 mmol) at 80 °C (reflux) for 11 h. Purification by silica gel chromatgraphy (hexane/EtOAc 95:5 to 80:20) afforded **3i** as a colorless oil (1.17 g, 70%). IR (neat) 689, 1173, 1434, 1448, 1683, 1727, 2953, 3288 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.42–1.54 (m, 2H), 1.96 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.03–2.11 (td, *J* = 6.9, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 2.31–2.38 (m, 2H), 2.96–3.03 (m, 2H), 3.74 (s, 6H), 7.44–7.51 (m, 2H), 7.54–7.61 (m, 1H), 7.93–7.98 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  18.43, 23.18, 27.13, 32.73, 33.59, 52.41, 56.66, 68.85, 83.48, 128.06, 128.63, 133.18, 136.68, 171.82, 198.92. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 353.13594. Found: *m/z* 353.13528.

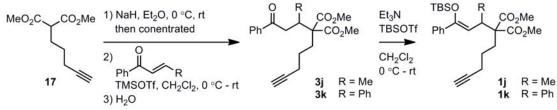
(Z)-Dimethyl 2-[3-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-3-phenylallyl]-2-(4-pentyn-1-yl)malonate (1i) (*E*/Z = 10/90)



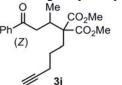
The compound **1i** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, employing **3i** (609 mg, 1.84 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.770 mL, 5.53 mmol), TBSOTf (0.864 mL, 3.68 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3.7 mL) and hexane/EtOAc (99:1 to 87:13) as an eluent. Colorless oil (781 mg, 87%, E/Z = 10/90). IR (neat) 760, 779, 837, 1074, 1254, 1732, 2931, 2953, 2931, 2953, 3308 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR of (**Z**)-**1i** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –0.06 (s, 3H), 0.99 (s, 9H), 1.42–1.57 (m, 2H), 1.91 (t, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.95–2.02 (m, 2H), 2.18 (td, J = 7.2, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 2.84 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.23–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.36–7.41 (m, 2H). [(**E**)-**1i**: 2.74 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.77 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H)]. <sup>13</sup>C NMR of (**Z**)-**1i** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –4.28, –4.11, 18.13, 18.27, 20.82, 25.80, 26.53, 28.54, 30.08, 37.07, 68.13, 84.48, 118.23, 126.18, 127.40, 127.86, 140.01, 148.62. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>36</sub>OSi: C, 67.53; H, 8.16%. Found: C, 67.29; H, 8.25%. The geometry of major Z-isomer was confirmed by an NOE experiment as shown below.







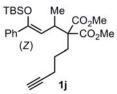
Dimethyl 2-(4-Oxo-4-phenyl-2-butanyl)-2-(4-pentyn-1-yl)malonate (3j)



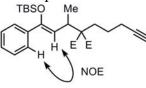
To a suspension of NaH (0.224 g, 5.59 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (4.6 mL) was added a solution of **17** (1.04 g, 4.59 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (9.2 mL) at 0 °C under Ar atmosphere. After stirring for 10 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. Then, the mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* to remove the solvent, and the reaction vessel was charged with Ar. To the reaction vessel, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (23 mL), (*E*)-1-phenyl-2-buten-1-one (673 mg, 4.61mmol) and TMSOTf (1.69 mL, 9.17 mmol) was added in this order at 0 °C, and the mixture was stirred at this temperature for 10 h. The resulting trimethylsilyl enol ether was hydrolyzed with aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub> to **3j**. The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 10 mL) and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 95:5 to 80:20) to give **3j** as a colorless oil (1.17 g, 74%). IR (neat) 776, 835, 1186, 1252, 1712, 2933, 2954, 3288 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.97 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.42–1.59 (m, 2H), 1.96 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.03–2.11 (m, 2H), 2.21 (td, *J* = 7.2, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 2.82 (dd, *J* = 16.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.91–3.04 (m, 1H), 3.30 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 7.43–7.51 (m, 2H), 7.54–7.60 (m, 2H), 7.97–8.03 (m, 2H).

51.93, 52.02, 61.07, 68.76, 83.33, 128.02, 128.46, 132.95, 136.90, 171.00, 171.55, 198.87. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{24}O_5Na [M+Na]^+$ : *m/z* 367.15160. Found: *m/z* 367.15084.

(Z)-Dimethyl 2-[4-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-4-phenyl-3-buten-2-yl]-2-(4-pentyn-1-yl)malonate (1j)



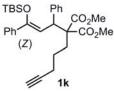
The compound **1j** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, employing **3j** (996 mg, 2.89 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (1.21 mL, 8.68 mmol), TBSOTf (1.36 mL, 5.80 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5.8 mL) and hexane/EtOAc (99:1 to 92:8) as the eluent. The further purification was conducted by GPC. Colorless oil (871 mg, 66%). IR (neat) 698, 766, 779, 838, 1062, 1252, 1646, 1727, 2932, 2953, 3310 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –0.15 (s, 3H), 0.01 (s, 3H), 1.00 (s, 9H), 1.12 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 1.32–1.50 (m, 1H), 1.62–1.78 (m, 1H), 1.90 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.94–2.02 (m, 2H), 2.16 (td, *J* = 6.9, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 3.49 (dq, *J* = 10.5, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 7.24–7.32 (m, 3H), 7.35–7.41 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –4.49, –4.08, 17.42, 17.99, 18.60, 23.63, 25.61, 33.93, 34.50, 51.56, 51.83, 61.47, 68.44, 83.63, 111.87, 126.44, 127.76, 127.82, 139.51, 150.51, 171.22, 171.64. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>38</sub>O<sub>5</sub>SiNa [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 481.23807. Found: *m/z* 481.23699. The geometry of major *Z*-isomer was confirmed by an NOE experiment as shown below.



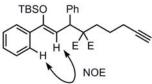
Dimethyl 2-(3-Oxo-1,3-diphenylpropyl)-2-(4-pentyn-1-yl)malonate (3k)

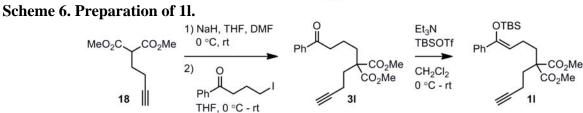
The compound **3k** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **3j**, employing **17** (896 mg, 4.00 mmol), NaH (193 mL, 4.83 mmol), (*E*)-chalcone (836 mg, 4.01 mmol), TMSOTf (1.17 mL, 5.99 mmol) and hexane/EtOAc (90:10 to 80:20) as an eluent. Colorless viscose oil (1.29 g, 79%). IR (neat) 690, 702, 749, 1170, 1213, 1433, 1448, 1597, 1685, 1726, 2951, 3288 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.40–1.69 (m, 2H), 1.73 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 1.84 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.78 (dd, *J* = 17.4 Hz, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 4.17 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.11–7.17 (m, 2H), 7.17–7.26 (m, 3H), 7.38–7.45 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.55 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  18.49, 23.89, 33.65, 41.99, 44.75, 52.18, 52.47, 61.74, 68.69, 83.54, 127.46, 128.13, 128.35, 128.54, 129.08, 132.99, 137.02, 138.94, 171.17, 171.65, 197.96. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C, 73.87; H, 6.45%. Found: C, 73.49; H, 6.57%.

(Z)-Dimethyl 2-[3-(tert-Butyl<br/>dimethylsiloxy)-1,3-diphenylallyl]-2-(4-pentyn-1-yl)malonate (1k)<br/> (E/Z=4/96)

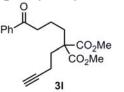


The compound **1k** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, employing **3k** (1.02 g, 2.50 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (1.05 mL, 7.53 mmol), TBSOTf (1.17 mL, 4.99 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5.0 mL) and hexane/EtOAc (99.5:0.5 to 97:3) as an eluent. White solid (1.26 mg, 97%, *E/Z* 4:96). IR (neat) 700, 769, 780, 1648, 1722, 1751, 2933, 2954, 3277 cm<sup>-1</sup>; Mp: 71.9–73.0 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR of (**Z**)-**1k** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –0.28 (s, 3H), –0.25 (s, 3H), 0.99 (s, 9H), 1.24–1.43 (m, 1H), 1.60–1.76 (m, 1H), 1.90 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.92–211 (m, 2H), 2.15 (br t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 4.68 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 7.15–7.34 (m, 8H), 7.36–7.42 (m, 2H). [(*E*)-**1k**:  $\delta$  –0.14 (s, 3H), –0.10 (s, 3H), 1.02 (s, 9H), 5.35 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H)]. <sup>13</sup>C NMR of (**Z**)-**1j** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –4.60, –3.79, 18.12, 18.70, 23.89, 25.75, 34.37, 45.22, 51.72, 51.92, 63.24, 68.48, 83.79, 109.52, 126.80, 127.79, 127.95, 128.01, 129.49, 139.75, 140.51, 150.94, 171.00, 171.12. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>40</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Si: C, 71.50; H, 7.74%. Found: C, 71.34; H, 7.78%. The geometry of major *Z*-isomer was confirmed by an NOE experiment as shown below.



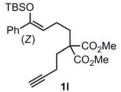


#### Dimethyl 2-(3-Butyn-1-yl)-2-(4-Oxo-4-phenylbutyl)malonate (3l)



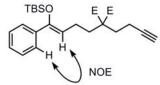
The compound **3l** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **3a**, employing dimethyl 2-(3-butyn-1-yl)malonate (**18**) (1.04 g, 5.01 mmol), NaH (240 mg, 6.00 mmol), 4-iodo-1-phenyl-1-butanone<sup>6</sup> (1.65 g, 6.02mmol) at room temperature overnight. Purification by silica gel chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 95:5 to 75:25) afforded **3l** as a colorless oil (0.951 g, 57%). IR (neat) 690, 1175, 1199, 1434, 1448, 1683, 1728, 2953, 3289 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.57–1.70 (m, 2H), 1.96–2.06 (m, 3H), 2.21–2.24 (m, 4H), 3.01 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (S, 6H), 7.43–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.54–7.60 (m, 1H), 7.93–7.97 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  13.42, 18.07, 30.88, 31.60, 37.71, 52.11, 56.57, 68.65, 82.83, 127.68, 128.36, 132.83, 136.58, 171.22, 198.98. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 353.135894. Found: *m/z* 353.13539.

# (Z)-Dimethyl 2-(3-butyn-1-yl)-2-[4-(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)-4-phenyl-3-buten-1-yl]malonate (11) (*E*/Z = 19/81)

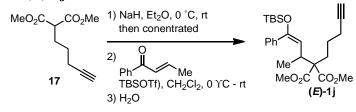


The compound **11** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, employing **31** (724 mg, 2.19 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.458 mL, 3.29 mmol), TBSOTF (0.617 mL, 2.63 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (8.8 mL) and hexanes/EtOAc (99/1 to 92/8) as an eluent. Colorless oil (794 mg, 81%, E/Z = 19/81). IR

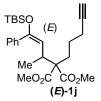
(neat) 697, 758, 779, 838, 1176, 1196, 1253, 1732, 2931, 2954, 3308 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR of (**Z**)-**1**l (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –0.11 (s, 6H), 0.97 (s, 9H), 1.91–2.28 (m, 9H), 3.71 (s, 6H), 4.93–5.05 (m, 1H), 7.19–7.44 (m, 5H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR of (**Z**)-**1**l (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –4.36, 13.76, 18.00, 20.82, 25.61, 31.04, 32.21, 52.21, 56.60, 68.72, 82.92, 109.88, 125.80, 127.54, 127.86, 139.36, 150.08, 171.47. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>5</sub>SiNa [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 467.22169. Found: *m/z* 467.22242. The geometry of major Z-isomer was confirmed by NOE experiment as shown below.



## Scheme 7. Preparation of (*E*)-1j.<sup>4</sup>

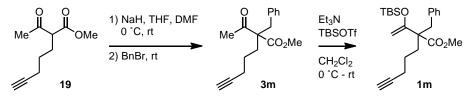


(*E*)-Dimethyl 2-[4-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-4-phenyl-3-buten-2-yl]-2-(4-pentyn-1-yl)malonate [(*E*)-1j] (*E*/Z = 86/14)



To a suspension of NaH (149 mg, 3.73 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 mL) was added a solution of **17** (679 mg, 3.04 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (6 mL) at 0 °C under Ar atmosphere. After stirring for 10 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. Then, the mixture was concentrated in *vacuo* to remove the solvent, and the reaction vessel was charged with Ar. To the reaction vessel, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (23 mL), (E)-1-phenyl-2-buten-1-one (452 mg, 3.09 mmol) and TBSOTF (1.07 mL, 4.56 mmol) was added in this order at -78 °C, and the mixture was allowed to slowly warm to room temperature with stirring for 24 h. The resulting trimethylsilyl enol ether was hydrolyzed with aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub> to **3j**. The organic layer was washed with  $H_2O$  (3 × 10 mL), and separated. The combined aqueous layer was extracted with  $Et_2O$  (3 × 10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 99.5:0.5 to 92:8) and GPC to give (E)-1j as a colorless oil (735 g, 53%). IR (neat) 699, 778, 836, 1252, 1646, 1728, 2931, 2953, 3310 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta 0.05$  (s, 3H), 0.08 (s, 3H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 1.04–1.22 (m, 2H), 1.15 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.75–1.91 (m, 2H), 1.90 (t, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.04 (td, J = 7.2, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 2.96–3.08 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 4.90 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 7.22–7.38 (m, 5H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –4.82, –4.49, 17.96, 18.51, 18.62, 23.49, 25.55, 33.87, 36.34, 51.74, 51.91, 61.64, 68.45, 83.63, 110.56, 128.01, 128.05, 128.07, 137.75, 151.25, 171.16, 171.47. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for  $C_{26}H_{38}O_5SiNa[M+Na]^+$ : m/z 481.23807. Found: *m/z* 481.23733.

## Scheme 8. Preparation of 1m.



Methyl 2-Acetyl-2-benzyl-6-heptynoate (3m)



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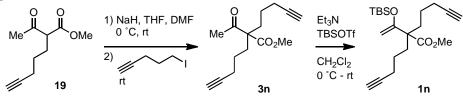
The compound **3m** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **3a**, employing metyl 2-acetyl-6-heptynoate (**19**) (729 mg, 4.00 mmol), NaH (192 mg, 4.80 mmol), benzyl bromide (0.582 mL, 4.80mmol) at room temperature for 20 min. Purification by silica gel chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 99:1 to 85:15) afforded **3m** as a colorless oil (0.834 g, 88%). IR (neat) 635, 701, 1176, 1433, 1455, 1709, 1742, 2952, 3289 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.23–1.45 (m, 1H), 1.45–1.61 (m, 1H), 1.87–1.97 (m, 2H), 1.96 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 2.15–2.23 (m, 2H), 3.12 (d, *J* = 14.4, 1H), 3.23 (d, *J* = 14.4, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 7.02–7.07 (m, 2H), 7.18–7.28 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  18.27, 22.82, 26.89, 30.15, 37.08, 51.96, 64.32, 68.92, 83.25, 126.81, 128.22, 129.67, 136.05, 172.17, 204.60. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Si: C, 74.97; H, 7.40%. Found: C, 74.74; H, 7.43%.

## Methyl 2-Benzyl-2-[1-(tert-butyldimethylsiloxy)vinyl]-6-heptynoate (1m)

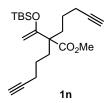


The compound **1n** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, employing **3m** (732 mg, 2.69 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.749 mL, 5.37 mmol), TBSOTF (0.945 mL, 4.03 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5.4 mL) and hexane/EtOAc (99.5:0.5 to 94:6) as an eluent. White solid (959 mg, 92%). Mp = 47.2–50.4 °C. IR (neat) 829, 992, 1274, 1633, 1725, 2931, 2948, 3277 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.19 (s, 3H), 0.24 (s, 3H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 1.38–1.51 (m, 1H), 1.59–1.68 (m, 3H), 1.95 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.15–2.21 (m, 2H), 3.09 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 4.05 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.07–7.12 (m, 2H), 7.17–7.25 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –5.56, –4.97, 17.79, 18.53, 23.48, 25.33, 30.09, 37.03, 51.59, 56.82, 68.57, 83.93, 89.80, 126.50, 127.86, 130.21, 137.05, 158.19, 174.15. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Si [M]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 409.21694. Found: *m/z* 409.21632.

## Scheme 9. Preparation of 1n.



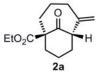
Methyl 2-[1-(tert-Butyldimethylsiloxy)vinyl]-2-(4-pentyn-1-yl)-6-heptynoate (1n)



The compound **3n** was prepared according to the procedure for the preparation of **3a**, employing methyl 2-acetyl-6-heptanoate (**20**) (929 mg, 5.10 mmol), NaH (245 mg, 6.13 mmol), 5-iodo-1-hexyne (1.52 g, 7.65mmol) at room temperature overnight. Purification by silica gel chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc 98:2 to 75:25) afforded **3n** as a mixture of a small amount of a *O*-alkylation by-product (colorless oil, 917 mg, ca 73%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.22–1.46 (m, 4H), 1.97–2.04 (m, 6H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.17–2.25 (m, 4H), 3.75 (S, 3H). Then silyl enolization of **3n** took place by using the procedure for the preparation **3a**, employing **3n** (917 mg, 3.69 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.772 mL, 5.54 mmol), TBSOTf (1.04 mL, 4.43 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (7.4 mL) and hexane/EtOAc (99.5/0.5 to 97/3) as the eluent. Colorless oil (887 mg, 48% from **19**). IR (neat) 626, 827, 1020, 1172, 1254, 1625, 1735, 2932, 2951, 3309 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.17 (s, 6H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 1.20–1.40 (m, 2H), 1.40–1.53 (m, 2H), 1.80–1.87 (m, 4H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 4.19 (q, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  –5.27, 17.74, 18.60, 23.04, 25.30, 30.58, 51.70, 55.40, 68.52, 83.99, 89.12, 158.62, 174.63. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Si: C, 69.56; H, 9.45%. Found: C, 69.56; H, 9.59%.

## **Cyclization Products.**

## Ethyl cis-5-Methylene-10-oxobicyclo[4.3.1]decane-1-carboxylate (2a)



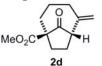
Colorless oil. IR (neat) 1175, 1232, 1704, 1732, 2935 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.28 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.61–2.26 (m, 10H), 2.36–2.49 (m, 2H), 3.34 (br s, 1H), 4.20 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 5.03 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  13.78, 17.89, 23.66, 31.76, 34.00, 35.08, 35.26, 55.08, 60.85, 60.94, 112.50, 145.33, 173.58, 211.03. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 71.16; H, 8.53%. Found: C, 70.85; H, 86.68%.

## cis-1-benzoyl-5-methylenebicyclo[4.3.1]decan-10-one (2c)



Colorless oil. IR (neat) 1230, 1446, 1677, 1697, 2932 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.72–1.83 (m, 1 H), 1.84–1.96 (m, 3H), 2.05–2.20 (m, 4H), 2.23–2.40 (m, 2 H), 2.40–2.55 (m, 2 H), 3.61 (br s, 1H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 7.36–7.49 (m, 2H), 7.45–7.52 (m, 1H), 7.66–7.71 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  18.79, 24.67, 32.46, 35.24, 36.33, 37.63, 54.61, 63.53, 113.17, 128.23, 129.50, 131.96, 135.10, 146.04, 201.06, 213.17. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 291.13555. Found: *m/z* 291.13523.

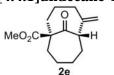
## Methyl cis-5-Methylene-9-oxobicyclo[4.2.1]nonane-1-carboxylate (2d)



Colorless oil. IR (neat) 1174, 1208, 1268, 1243, 1727, 1749, 2935, 2949 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ

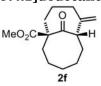
1.69–1.99 (m, 4H), 2.02–2.20 (m, 3H), 2.35–2.61 (m, 3H), 3.34 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 4.81 (s, 1H), 4.89 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  23.78, 28.19, 29.31, 34.31, 34.89, 52.45, 54.48, 60.14, 111.38, 146.20, 173.05, 214.61. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M]<sup>+</sup>: *m*/*z* 208.10994. Found: *m*/*z* 208.10967.

Methyl cis-5-Methylene-11-oxobicyclo[4.4.1]undecane-1-carboxylate (2e)



Colorless oil. IR (neat) 901, 1210, 1690, 1728, 2925, 2950 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.45–1.55 (m, 1H), 1.68–2.20 (m, 12H), 2.45–2.55 (m, 1H), 3.46–3.58 (m, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 4.91 (s, 1H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 5.00 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  24.71, 25.55, 25.69, 27.91, 30.73, 33.20, 36.23, 52.01, 61.79, 64.39, 113.20, 144.54. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 236.14124. Found: *m/z* 236.14115.

## Methyl cis-8-Methylene-12-oxobicyclo[5.4.1]dodecane-1-carboxylate (2f)



Colorless oil. IR (neat) 1220, 1241, 1438, 1683, 1731, 2929 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.17–1.34 (m, 1H), 1.40–1.56 (m, 1H), 1.56–1.99 (m, 9H), 2.03–2.14 (m, 1H), 2.03–2.14 (m, 1H), 2.30–2.56 (m, 4H), 3.34 (dd, J = 9.0, 4.2, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 4.94 (s, 1H), 4.97 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  23.06, 23.82, 24.77, 25.11, 30.08, 34.44, 34.68, 35.82, 51.88, 62.75, 63.35, 112.99, 145.77, 173.83, 213.61. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 250.15689. Found: *m/z* 250.15707.

## 2-Benzoyl-1-methylenecycloheptane (2g)



Colorless oil. IR (neat) 689, 1206, 1446, 1677, 2853, 2924 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.31–1.57 (m, 3H), 1.71–1.95 (m, 4H), 1.96–2.07 (m, 1H), 2.31–2.52 (m, 2H), 4.15 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 4.8, 1H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 4.89 (s, 1H), 7.40–7.47 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.57 (m, 1H), 7.91–7.97 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  27.43, 28.53, 29.46, 30.69, 35.24, 52.54, 114.69, 128.53 (2C), 132.72, 136.83, 149.57, 201.40. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O [M]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 214.13576. Found: *m/z* 214.13583.

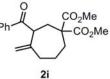
## trans-1-Benzoyl-7-methyl-2-methylenecycloheptane (2g)



Colorless oil. IR (neat) 697, 1206, 1446, 1675, 2853, 2922 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  0.91 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.34–1.69 (m, 4H), 1.71–1.89 (m, 2H), 2.18–2.27 (m, 1H), 2.30–2.40 (m, 1H), 2.41–2.52 (m, 1H), 3.94 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 7.42–7.49 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.94–8.00 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  22.37, 27.96, 31.52, 34.47, 34.98, 35.30, 60.71, 115.43, 128.54, 128.60, 132.72, 137.52, 148.42, 201.03. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O: C, 84.16; H, 8.83%. Found: C, 83.94; H, 8.93%. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O [M]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 228.15142. Found: *m/z* 228.15135. The

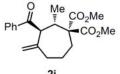
relative configuration of Bz and Me group was determined by comparing the coupling constant between  $H_a$  and  $H_b$  and that in the compound 2k.

## Dimethyl trans-3-Benzoyl-4-methylenecycloheptane-1,1-dicarboxylate (2i)



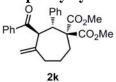
Colorless oil. IR (neat) 690, 1207, 1225, 1239, 1681, 1728, 2952 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.52–1.70 (m, 1H), 1.87–2.03 (m, 2H), 2.11 (dd, J = 14.4 Hz, 11.4 Hz, 1H), 2.30–2.47 (m, 2H), 2.47–2.58 (m, 1H), 2.73 (ddd, J = 14.4, 3.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 4.39 (dd, J = 11.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 7.40–7.47 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.89–7.94 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  22.67, 31.78, 34.75, 36.17, 47.93, 52.41, 52.69, 57.16, 115.34, 128.53, 128.56, 132.93, 136.33, 147.65, 172.04, 172.88, 199.81. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [M]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 330.14672. Found: *m/z* 330.14679.

## Dimethyl trans-3-Benzoyl-2-methyl-4-methylenecycloheptane-1,1-dicarboxylate (2j)

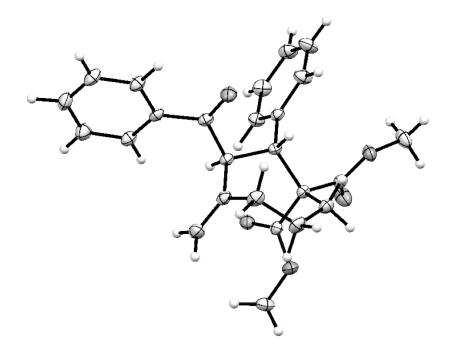


White solid (recrystallization from hot hexane gave a colorless crystalline). IR (neat) 699, 1245, 1672, 1724, 1743, 2939, 2956 cm<sup>-1</sup>; Mp = 47.2–50.4 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.04 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.40–1.58 (m, 1H), 1.88–2.00 (m, 1H), 2.01–2.15 (m, 2H), 2.27 (td, *J* = 12.6, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (dt, *J* = 14.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (dq, *J* = 10.5, 6.6 Hz, 1H, –CH<sub>a</sub>(Me)–), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 4.69 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H, –CH<sub>b</sub>(Bz)–), 4.84 (s, 1H), 4.88 (s, 1H), 7.42–7.49 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.59 (m, 1H), 7.98–8.04 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  17.90, 28.69, 31.47, 37.00, 38.88, 51.78, 52.30, 59.05, 61.38, 118.46, 128.61, 128.84, 133.04, 136.90, 146.67, 171.04, 173.05, 199.60. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C, 69.75; H, 7.02%. Found: C, 69.76; H, 7.08%. The relative configuration of Bz and Me group was determined by comparing the coupling constant between H<sub>a</sub> and H<sub>b</sub> and that in the compound **2k**.

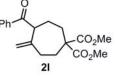
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White solid. IR (neat) 700, 1246, 1672, 1725, 1744, 2939, 2955 cm<sup>-1</sup>; Mp = 150.5–151.0 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.47 (distorted qt, J = 13.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.01–2.11 (m, 1H), 2.16–2.25 (m, 1H), 2.32 (td, J = 13.8, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 2.43–2.57 (m, 2H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 4.12 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H, –*CH<sub>a</sub>* (Ph)–), 4.91 (s, 1H), 4.95 (s, 1H), 5.46 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H, –*CH<sub>b</sub>* (Bz)–), 7.02–7.08 (m, 1H), 7.11–7.18 (m, 2H), 7.28–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.39–7.45 (m, 1H), 7.60 (br s, 2H), 7.72–7.77 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  29.27, 31.73, 38.37, 51.83, 51.92, 52.06, 58.03, 63.09, 118.90, 127.09, 127.92, 128.32, 128.62, 130.51, 132.62, 132.64, 140.05, 146.69, 171.12, 171.72, 199.03. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C, 73.87; H, 6.45%. Found: C, 73.86; H, 6.47%. The relative configuration was determined by X-ray analysis as shown below. X-ray quality crystals were grown from hot hexane. Crystallographic data for the structure has been deposited at the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre (CCDC 787890). Copies of the data can be obtained, free of charge, on application to the Director, CCDC, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK. Fax: 44-1223-3360033 or E-mail: deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk



Dimethyl 5-Benzoyl-4-methylenecycloheptane-1,1-dicarboxylate (2l)



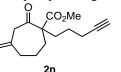
Colorless oil. IR (neat) 691, 1169, 1209, 1237, 1677, 1728, 2953 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.83–2.07 (m, 4H), 2.39–2.63 (m, 4H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 4.25 (dd, *J* = 9.3, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 7.42–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.90–7.96 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  25.27, 31.12, 31.15, 34.92, 51.94, 52.49, 52.61, 57.79, 116.04, 128.59, 128.63, 132.99, 136.49, 147.85, 171.82, 173.04, 200.58. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [M]<sup>+</sup>: *m/z* 330.14672. Found: *m/z* 330.14672.

Methyl 1-Benzyl-4-methylene-2-oxocycloheptanecarboxylate (2m)



Colorless oil. IR (neat) 691, 1169, 1209, 1237, 1677, 1728, 2953 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.62–1.83 (m, 3H), 2.00–2.10 (m, 1H), 2.32–2.42 (m, 1H), 2.97 (d, *J* =13.5 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (d, *J* = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (d, *J* = 13.5 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (*J* = 14.7, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 4.90 (s, 1H), 7.05–7.10 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.28 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 25.06, 32.75, 36.52, 41.65, 51.52, 51.93, 63.84, 116.10, 126.86, 128.12, 130.41, 136.60, 141.78, 171.92 , 206.21. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 74.94; H, 7.40%. Found: C, 74.88; H, 7.42%.

Methyl 4-Methylene-2-oxo-1-(4-pentyn-1-yl)cycloheptanecarboxylate (2n)

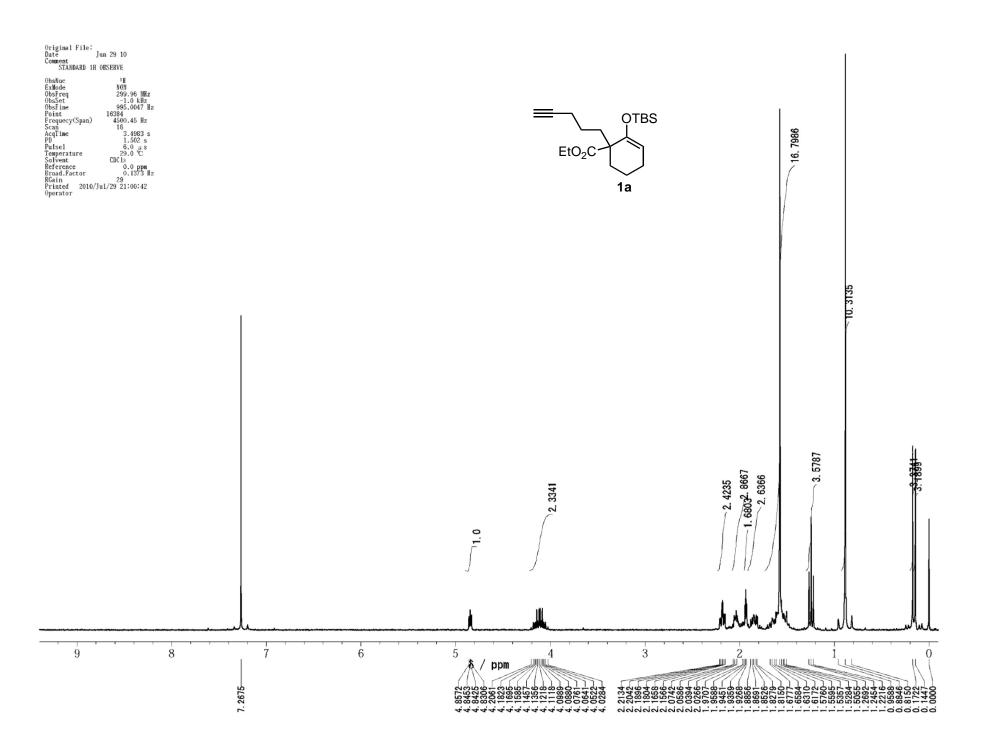


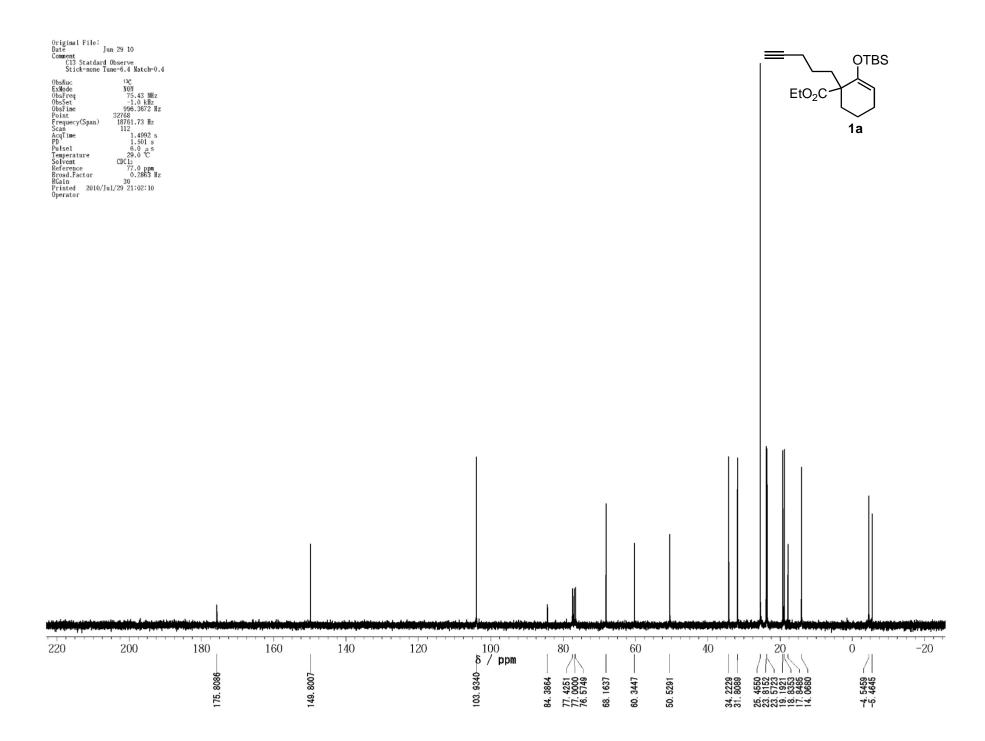
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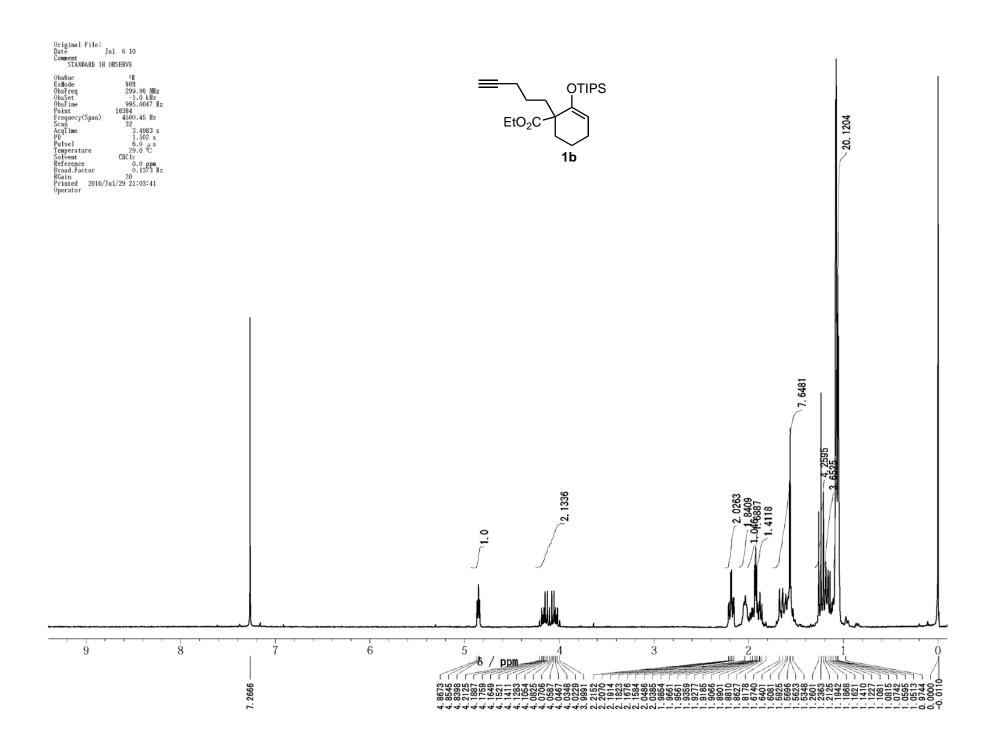
1.34–1.54 (m, 2H), 1.58–1.93 (m, 4H), 1.95 (t, J = 2.7 Hz), 1.96–2.28 (m, 5H), 2.32–2.43 (m, 1H), 3.21 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 4.89 (s, 1H), 4.94 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 18.61, 23.56, 25.15, 33.50, 35.13, 36.59, 51.30, 52.12, 62.07, 68.59, 83.80, 116.22, 141.98, 172.53, 206 .41. HRMS (EI<sup>+</sup>) Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: m/z 248.14124. Found: m/z 248.14087.

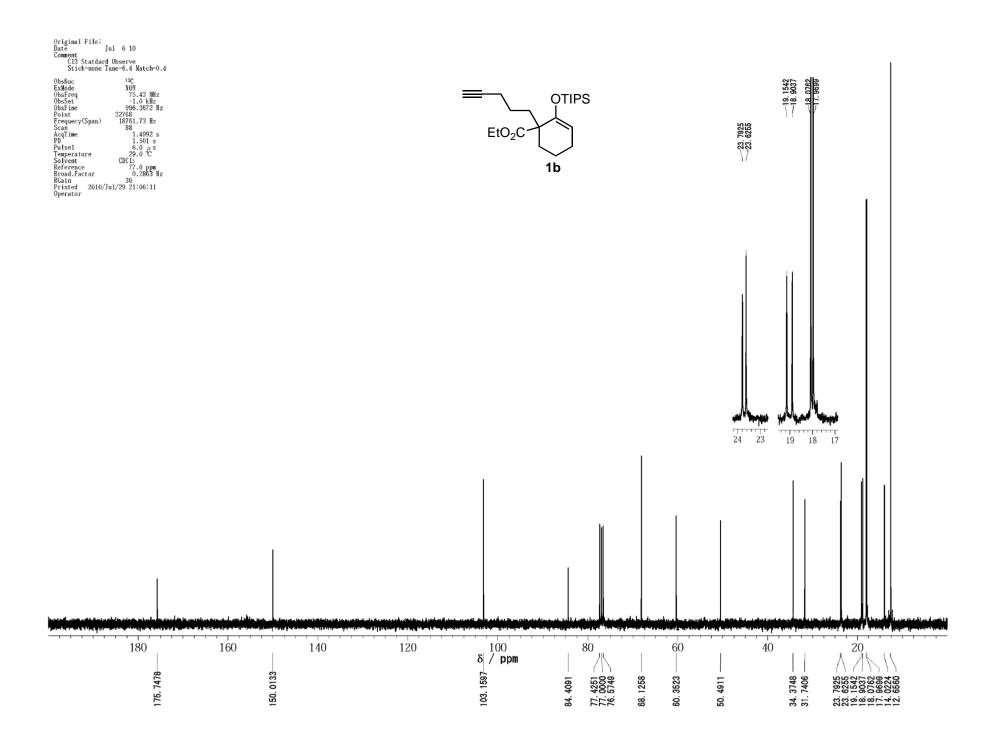
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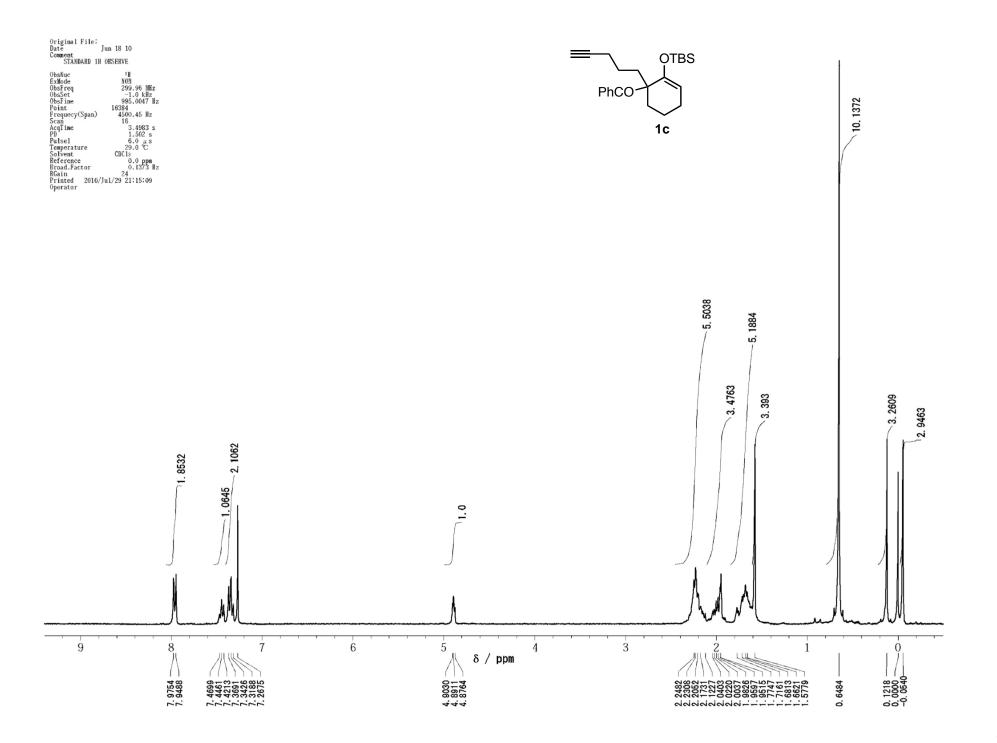
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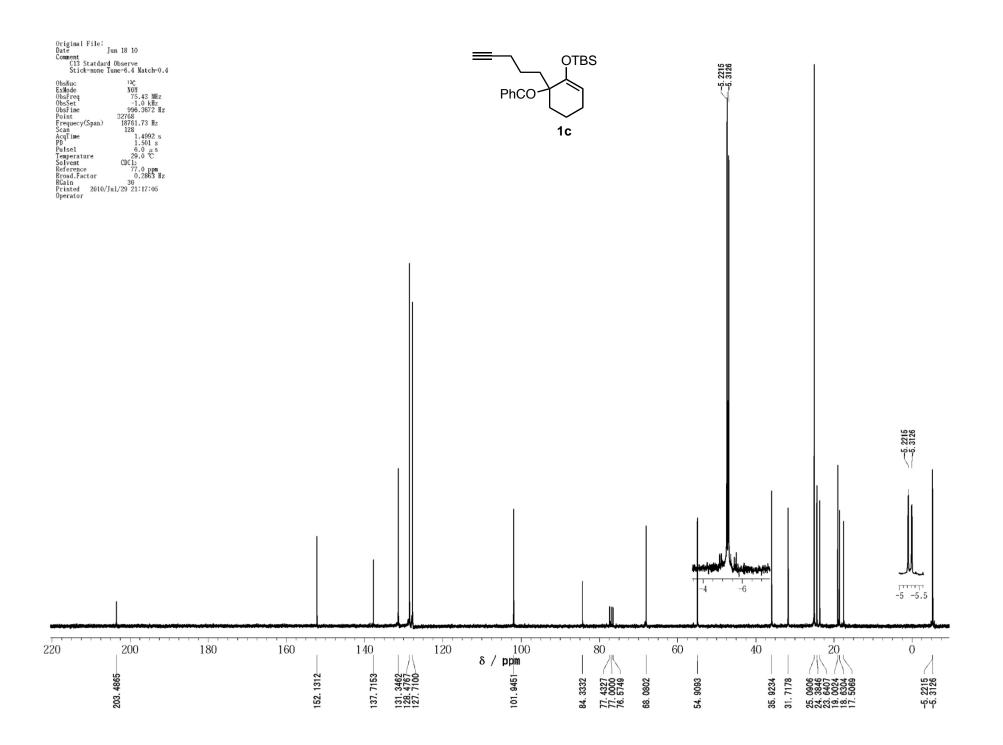


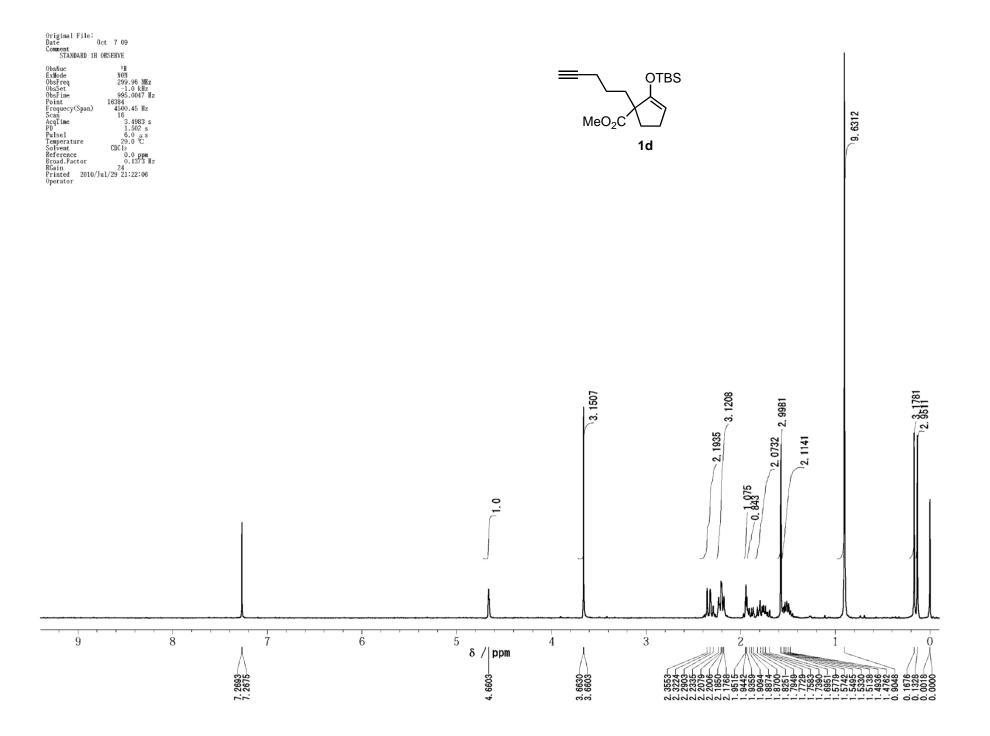




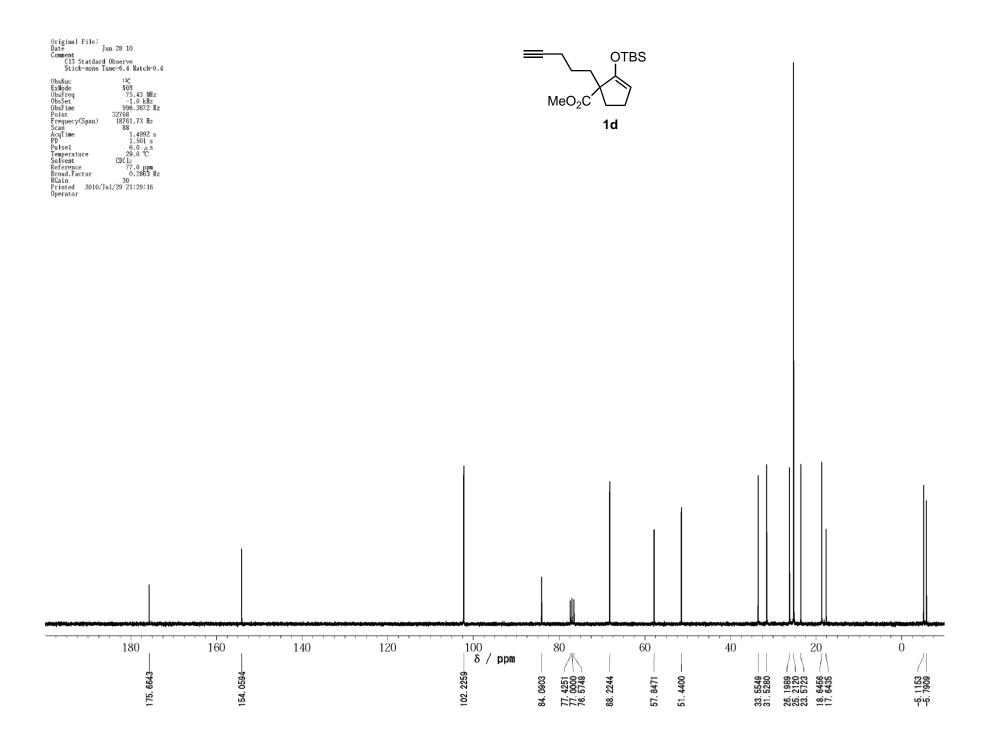


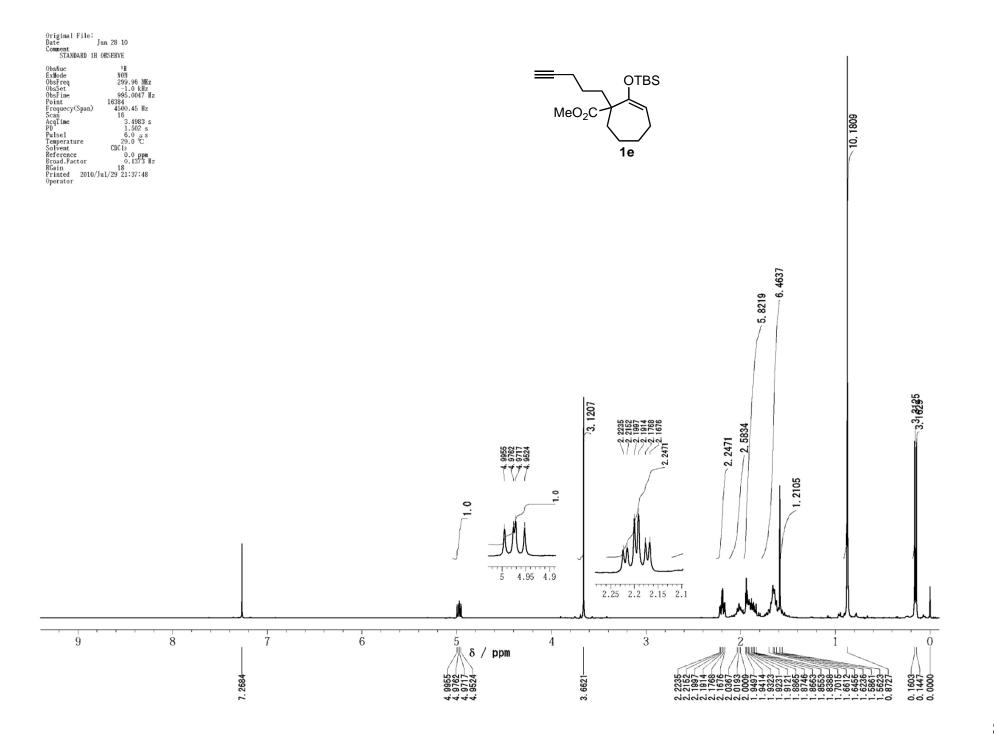


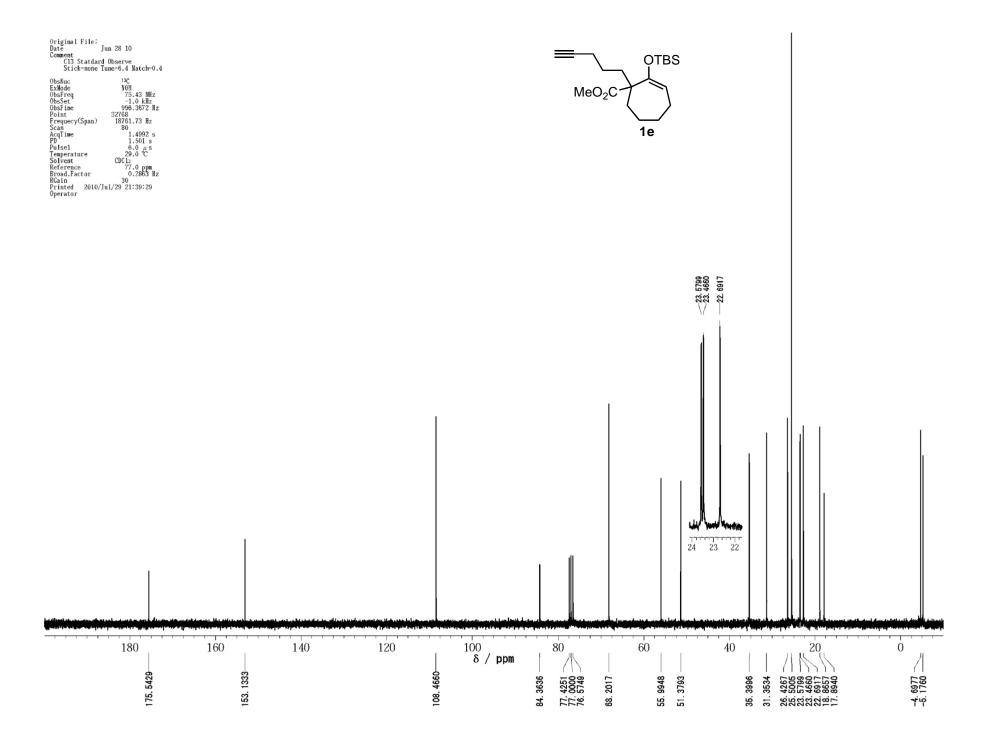


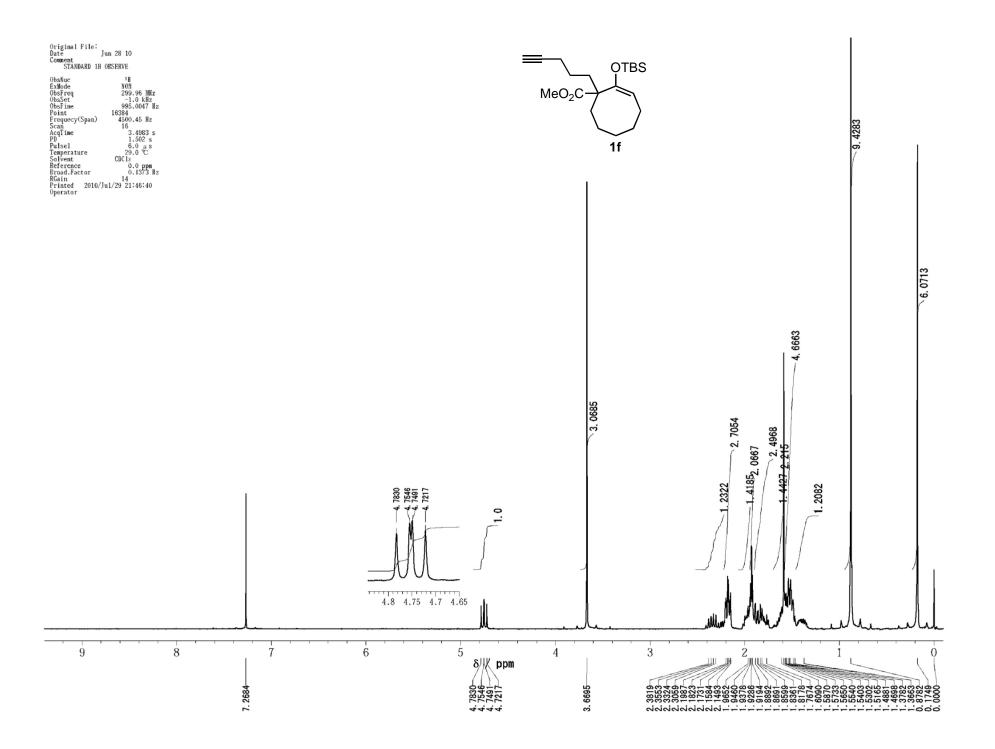


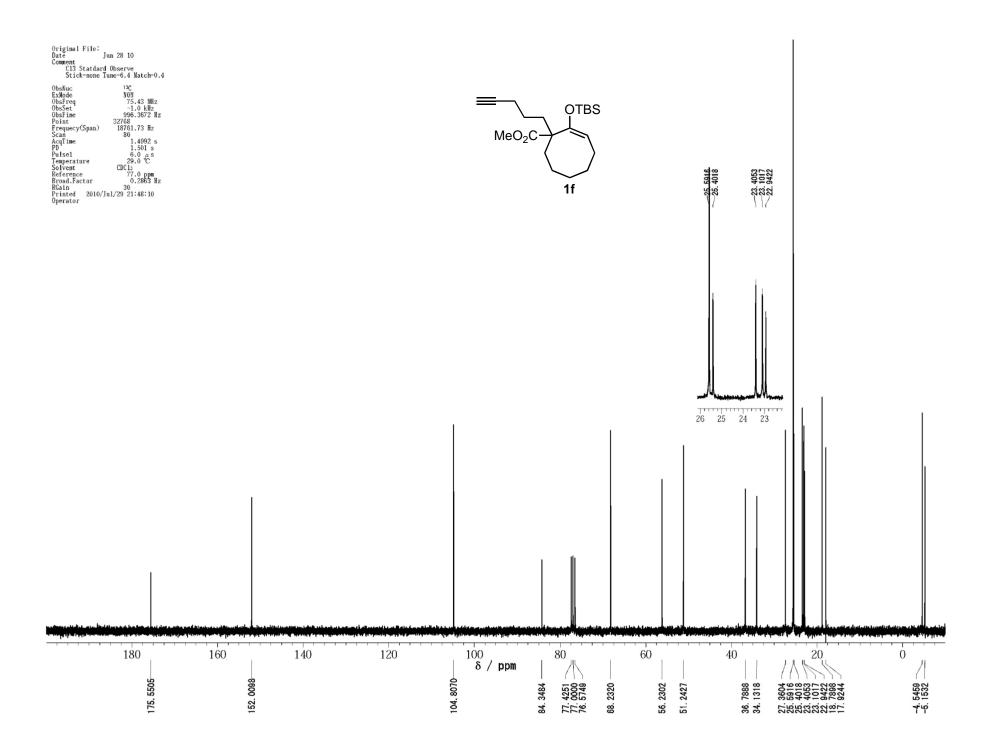
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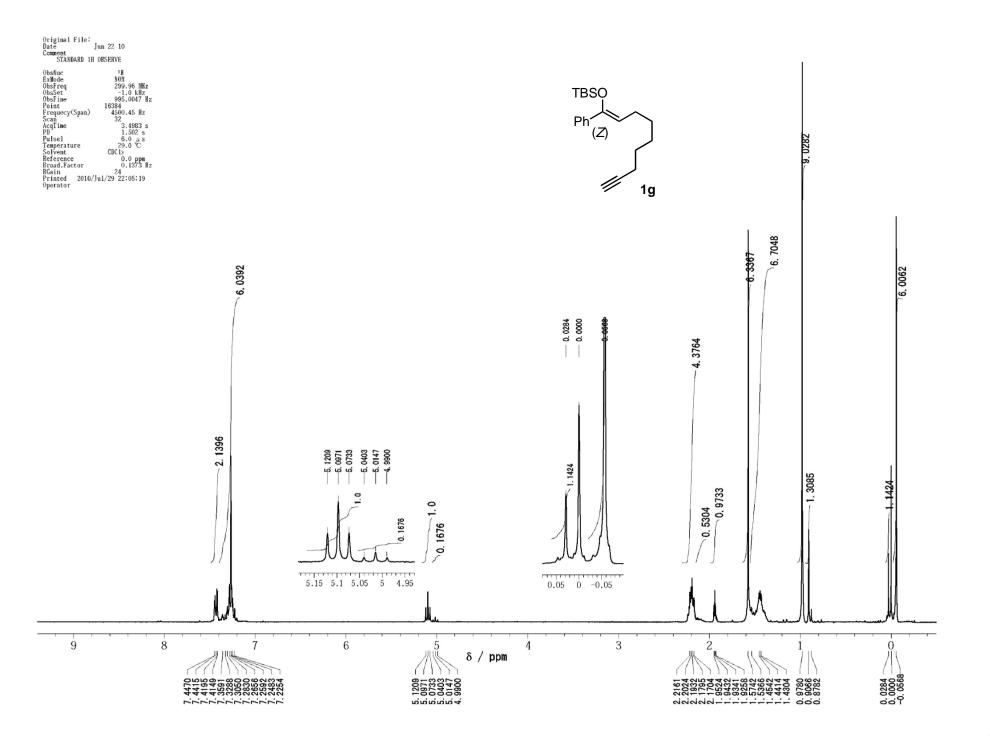


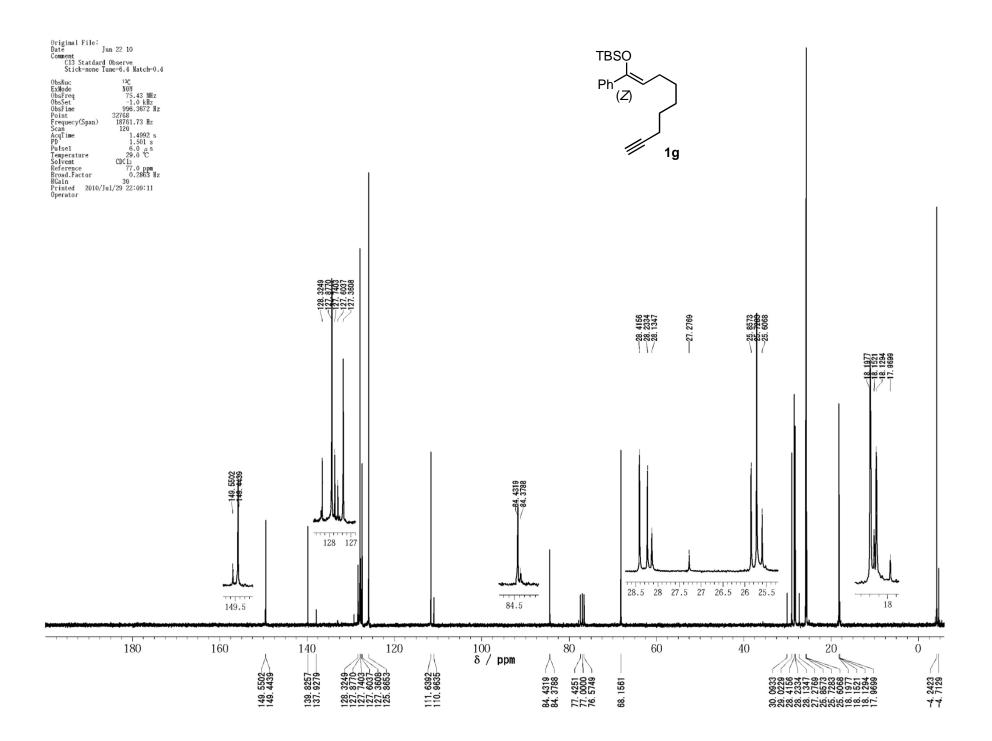


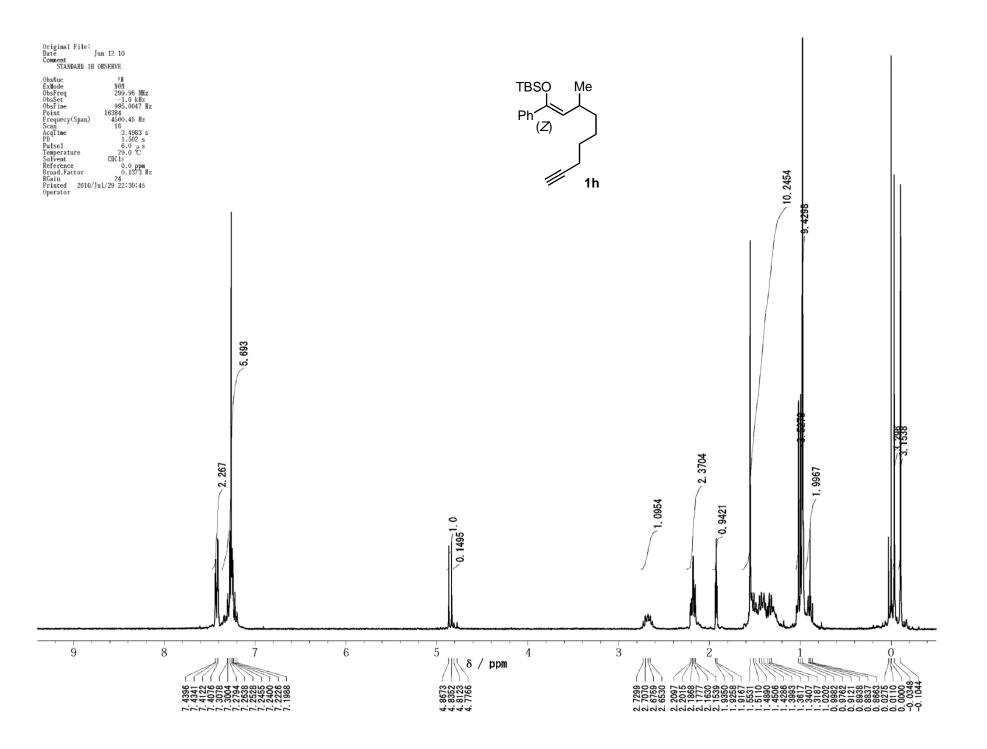


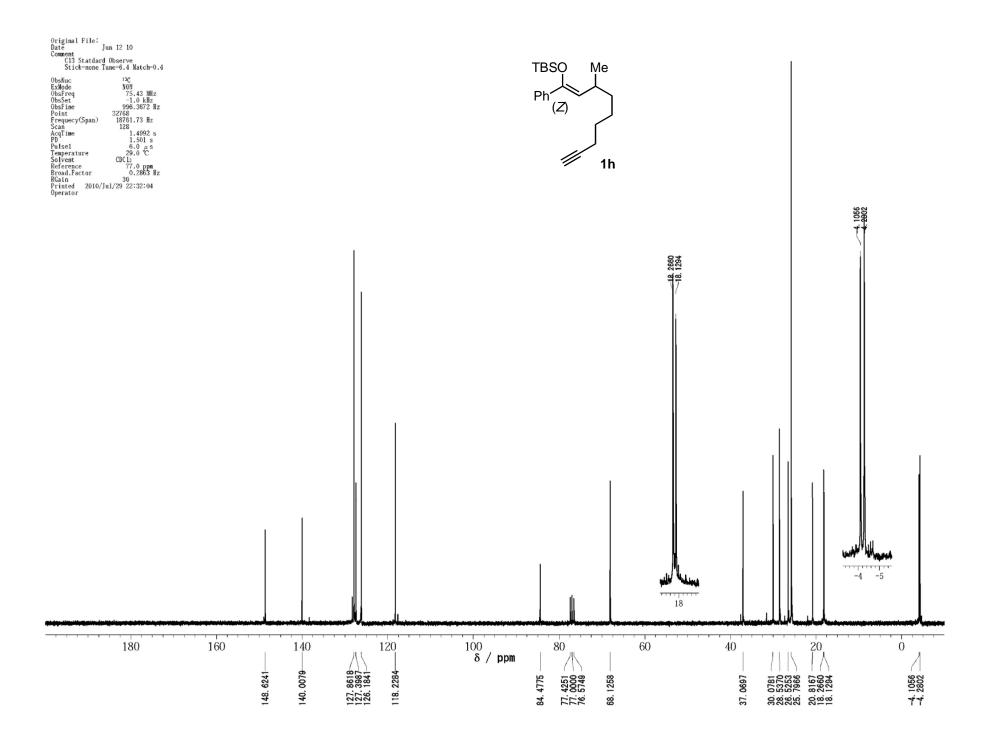


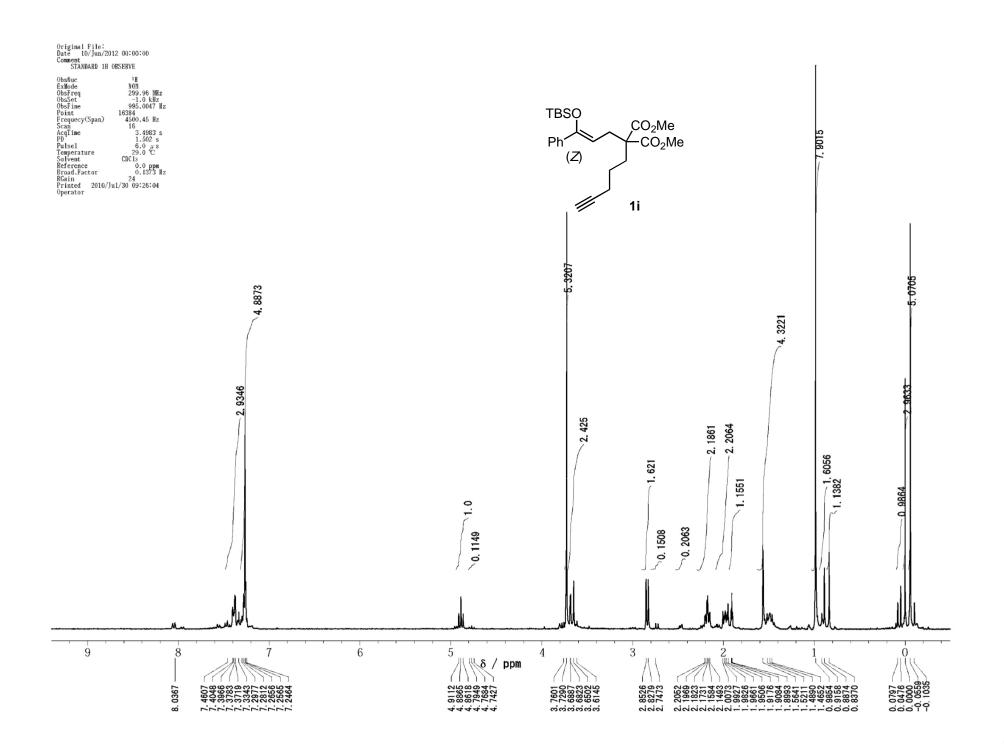


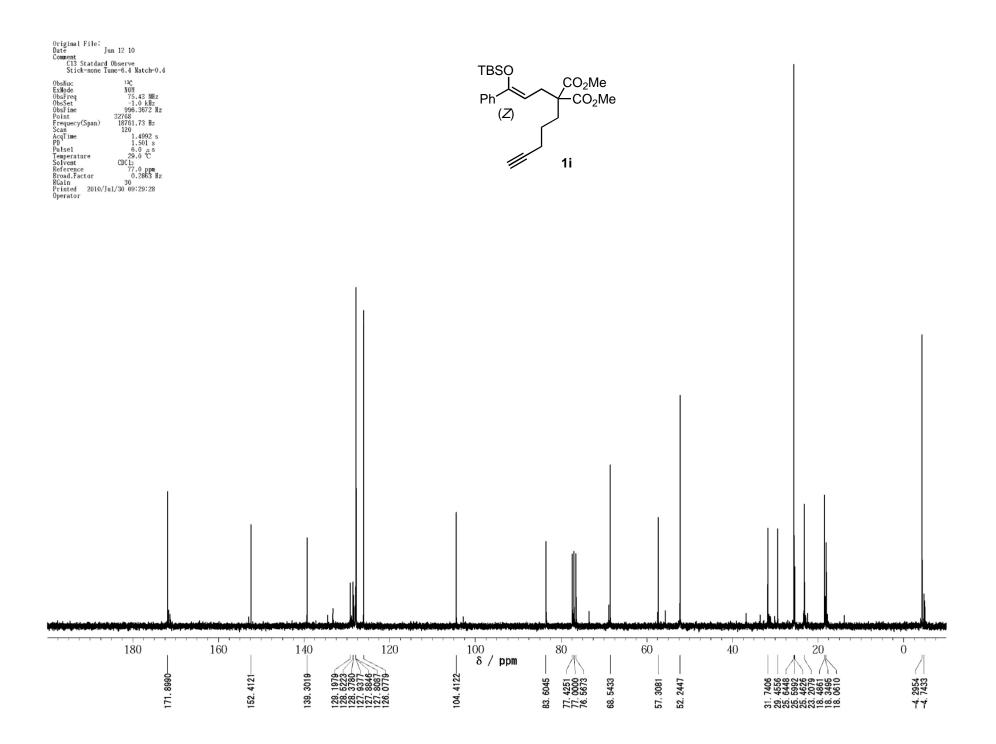


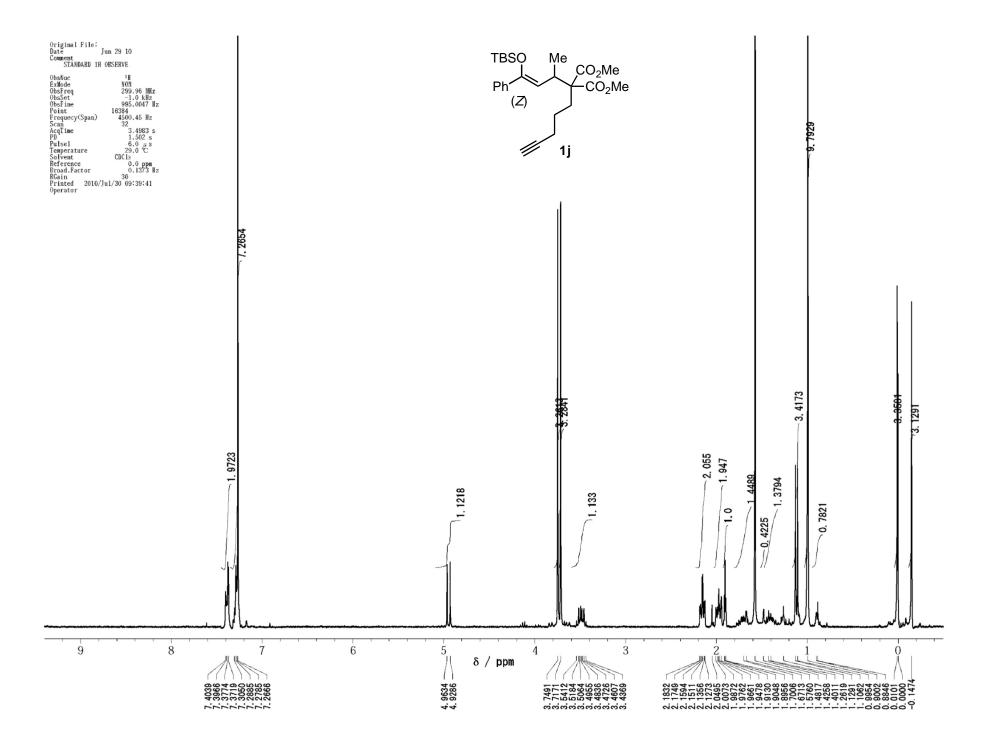


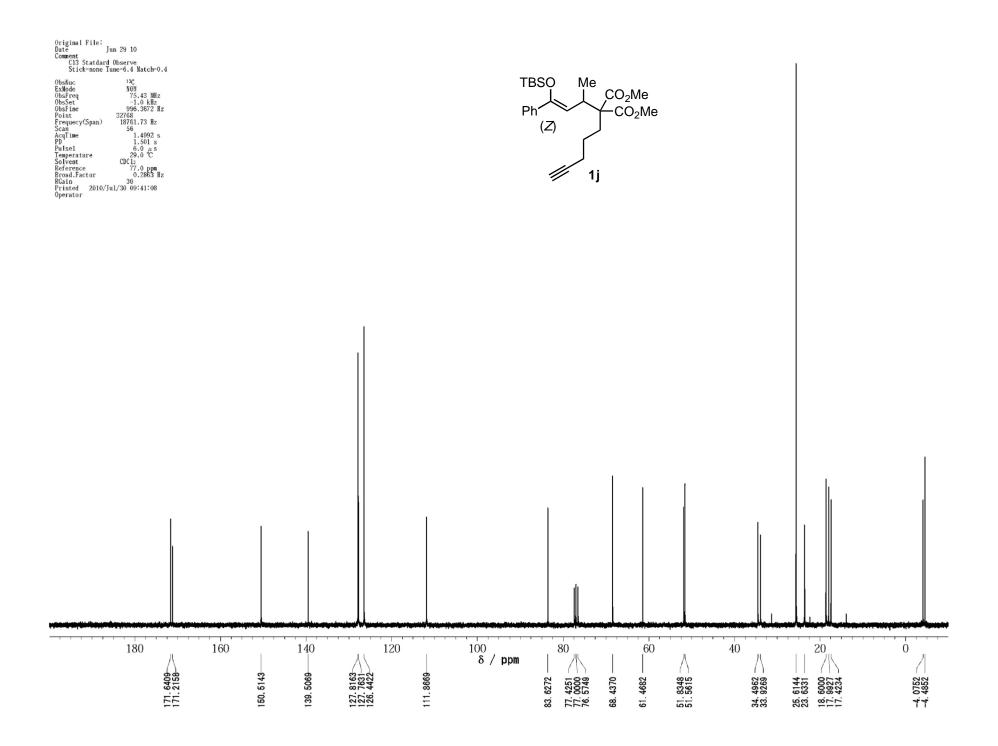


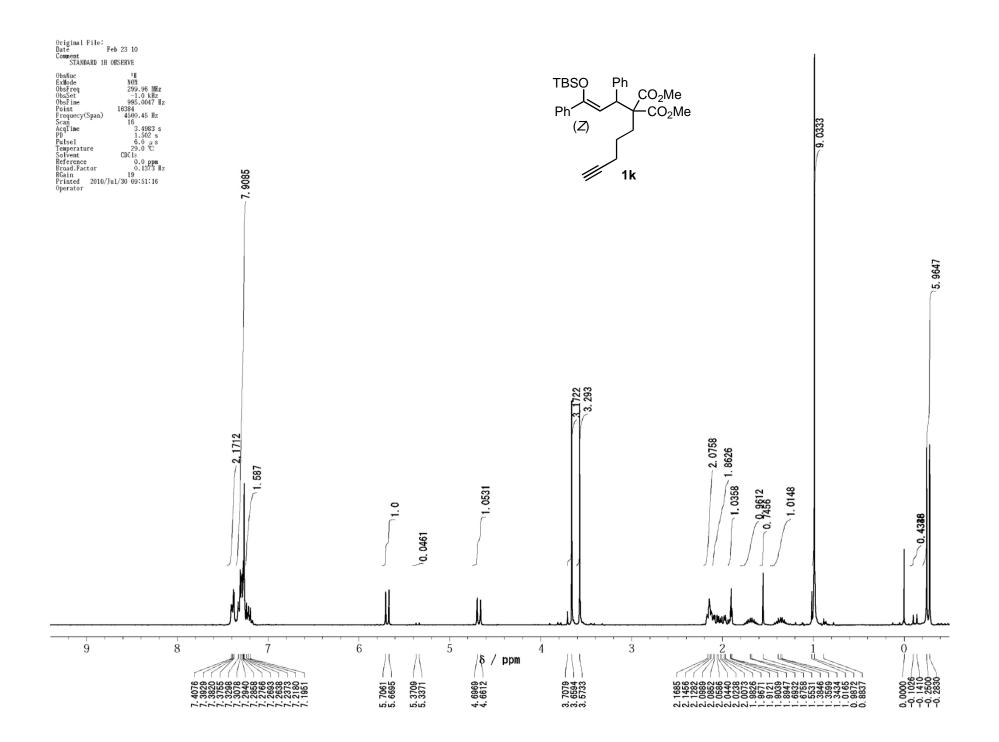


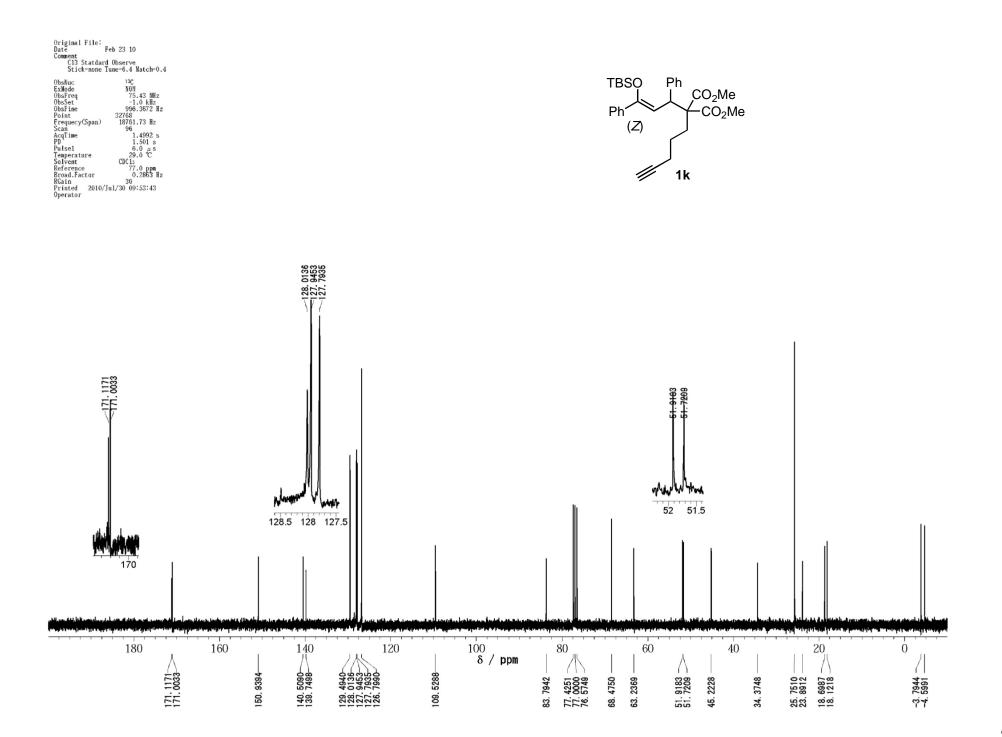


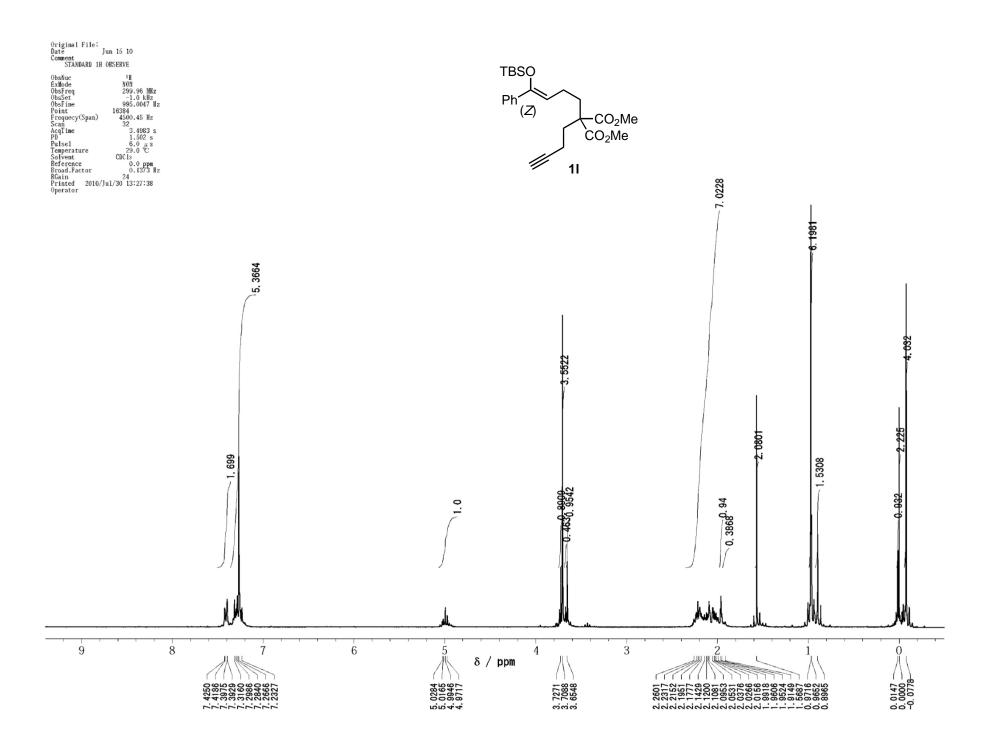


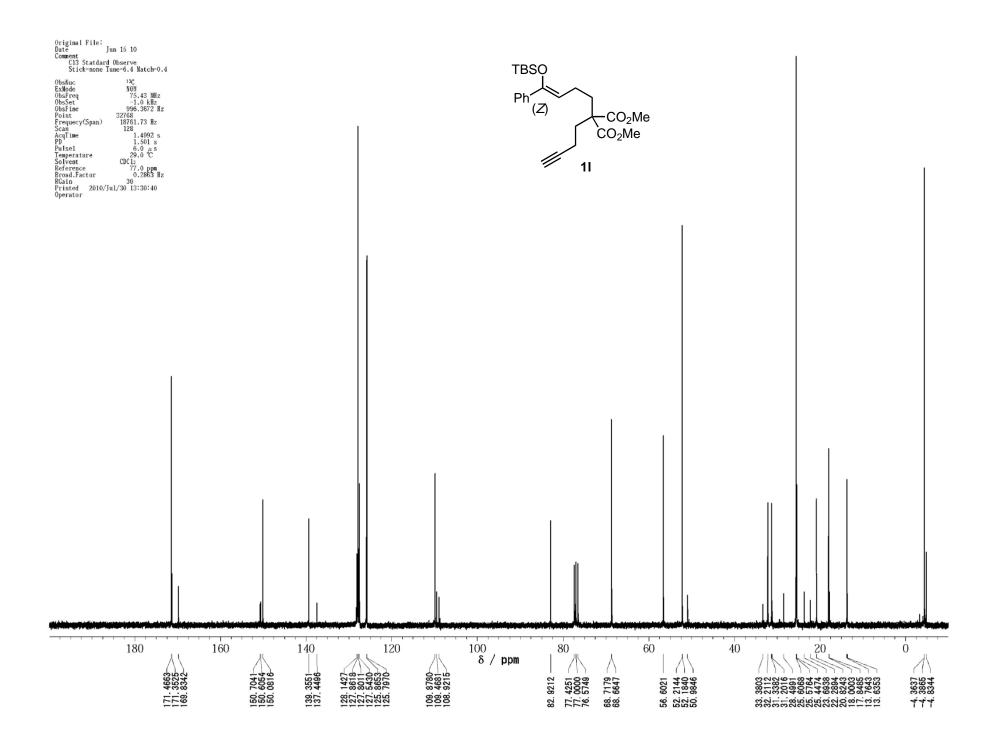


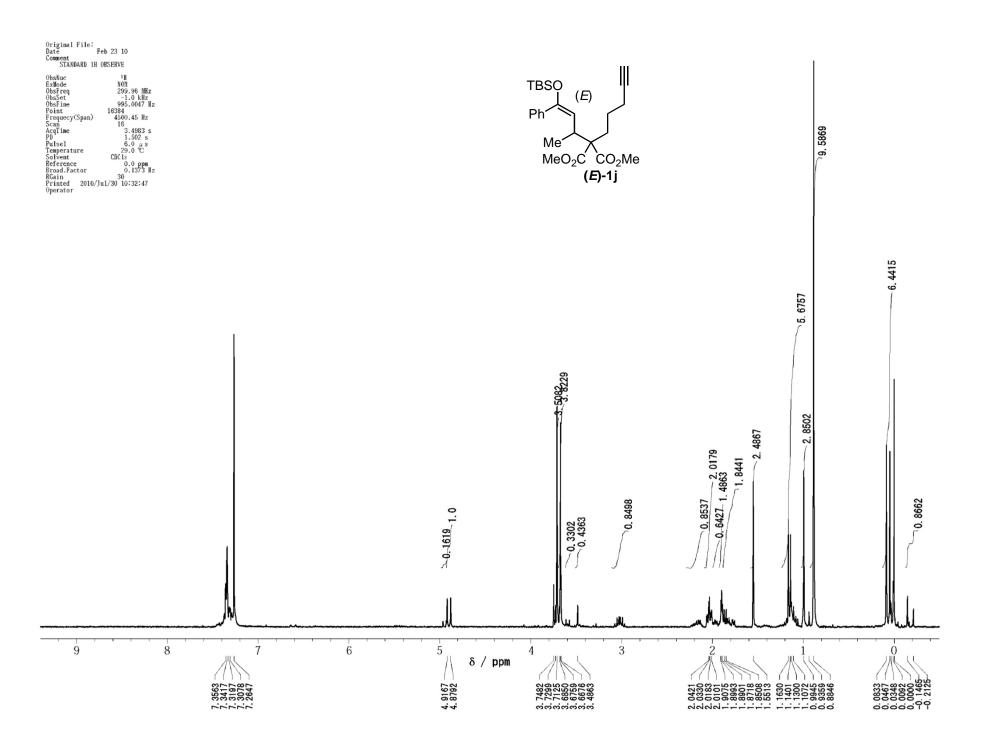


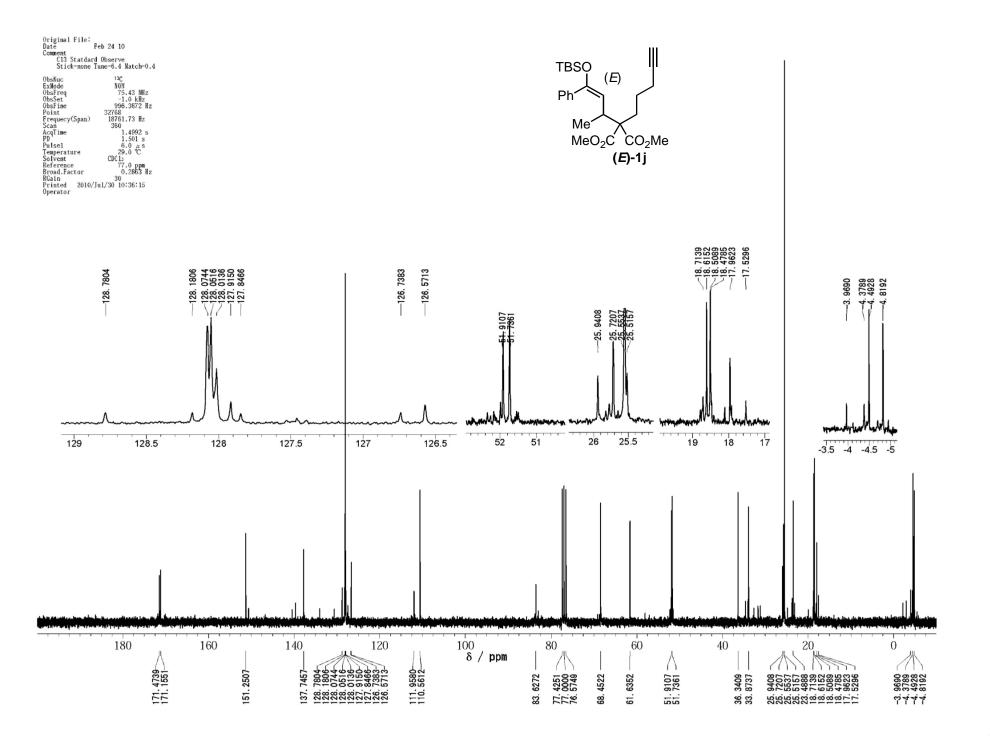


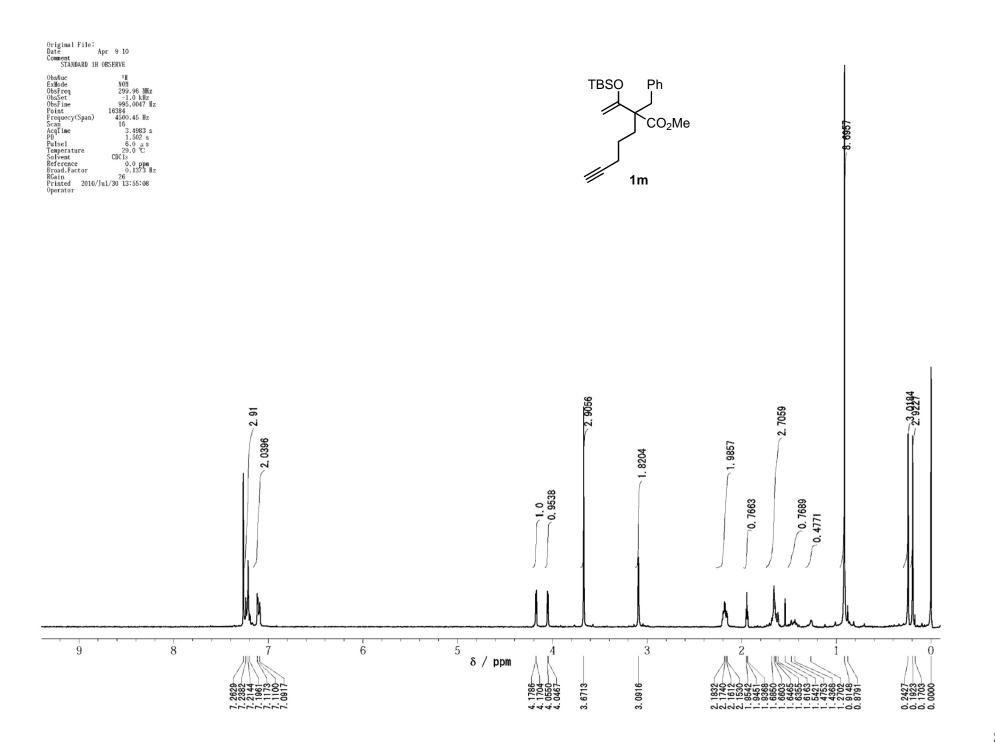




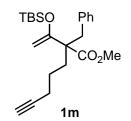


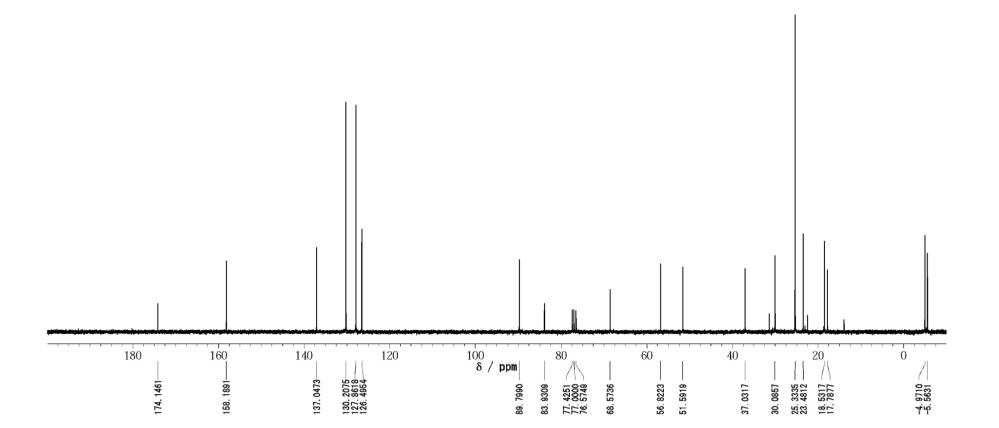


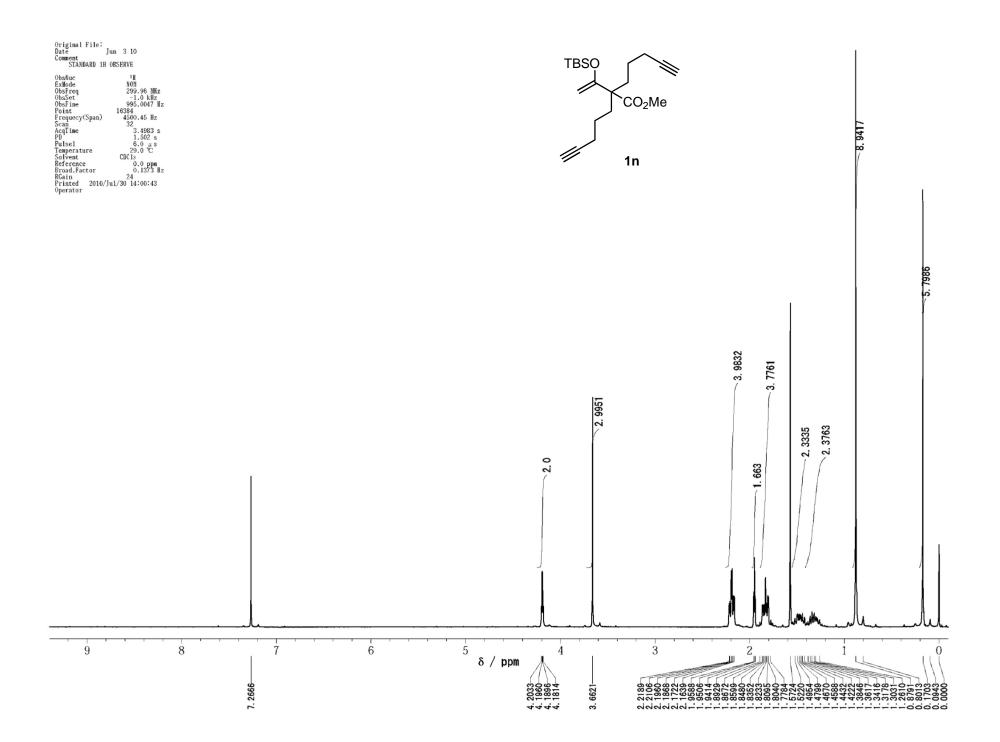


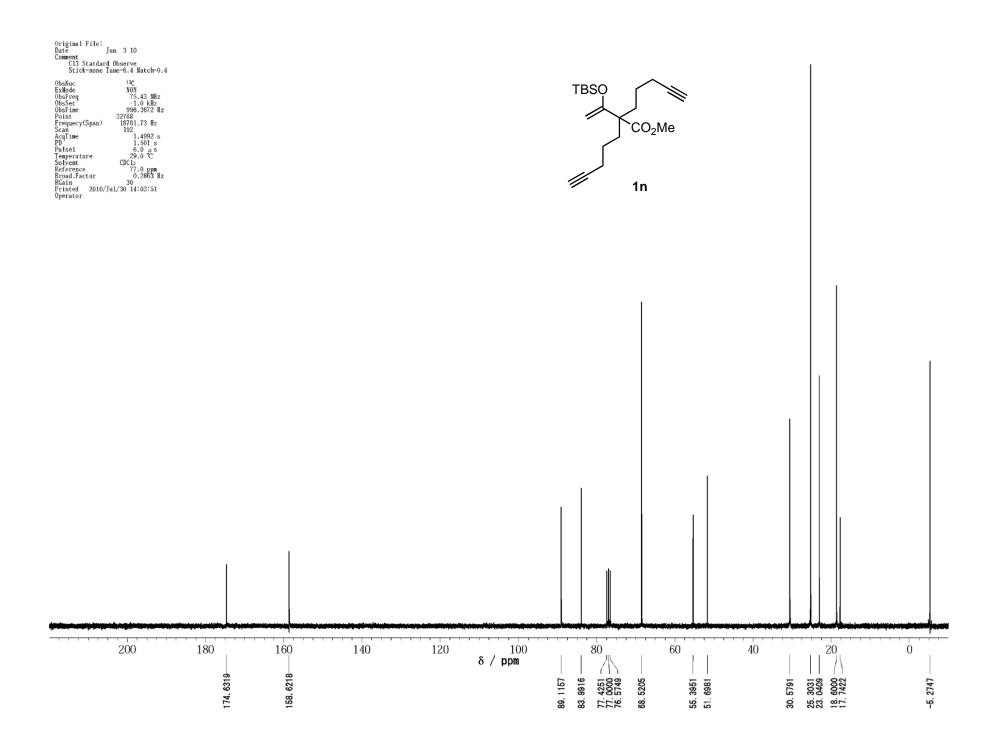


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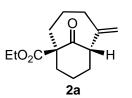


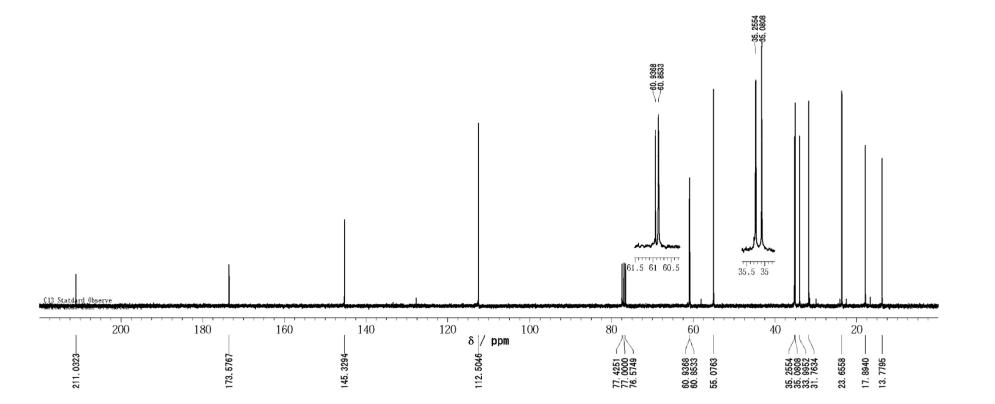


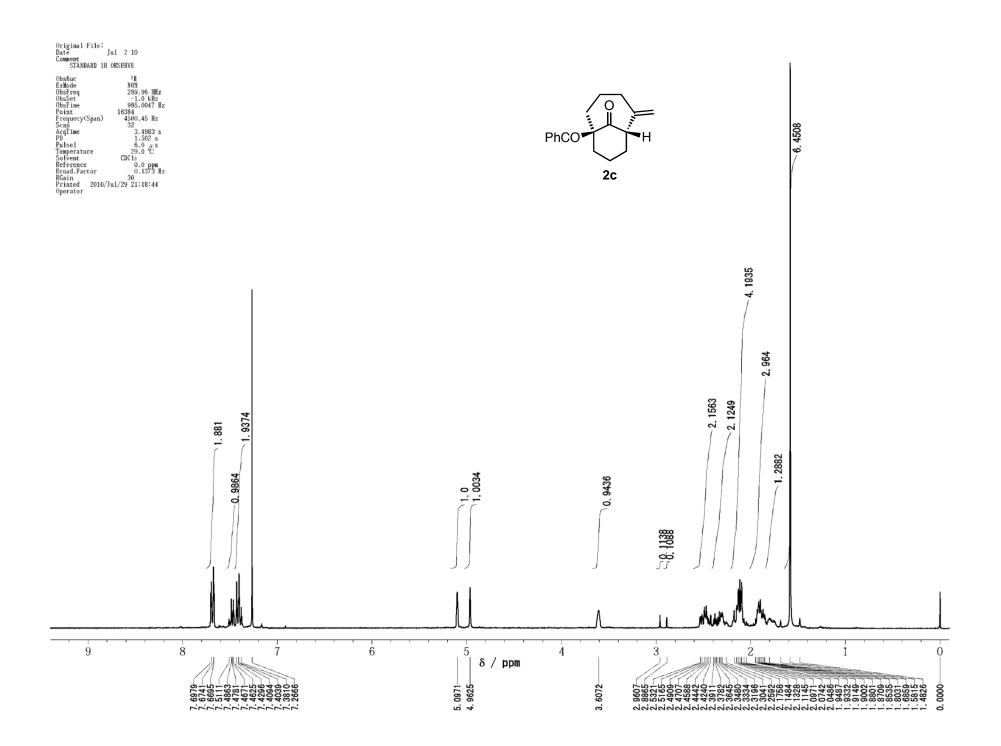


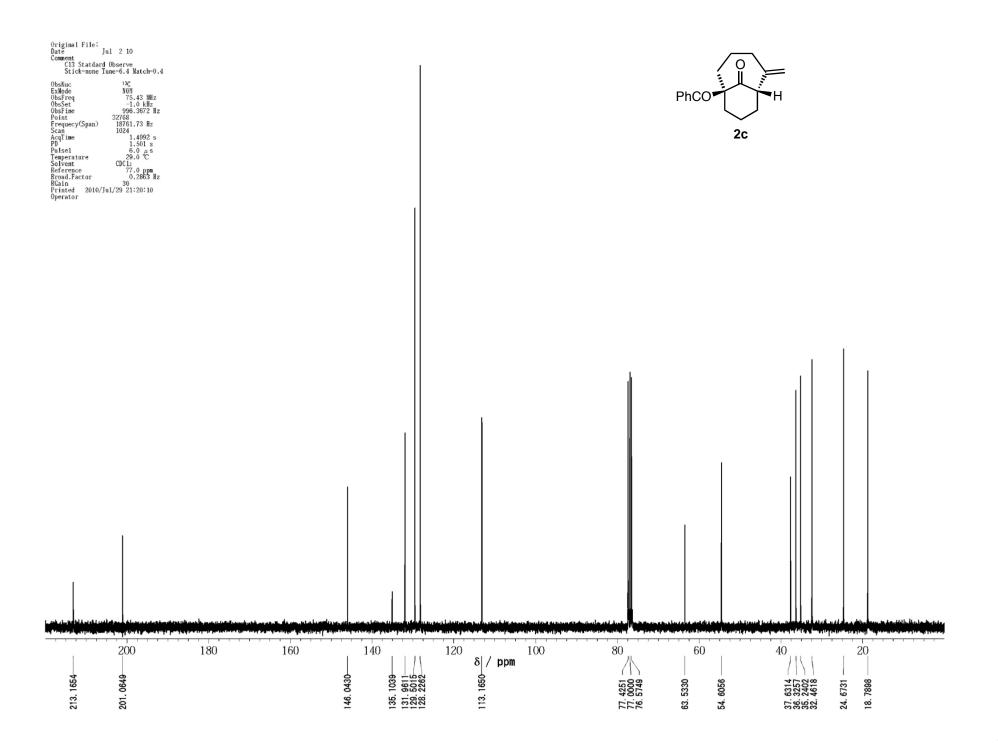
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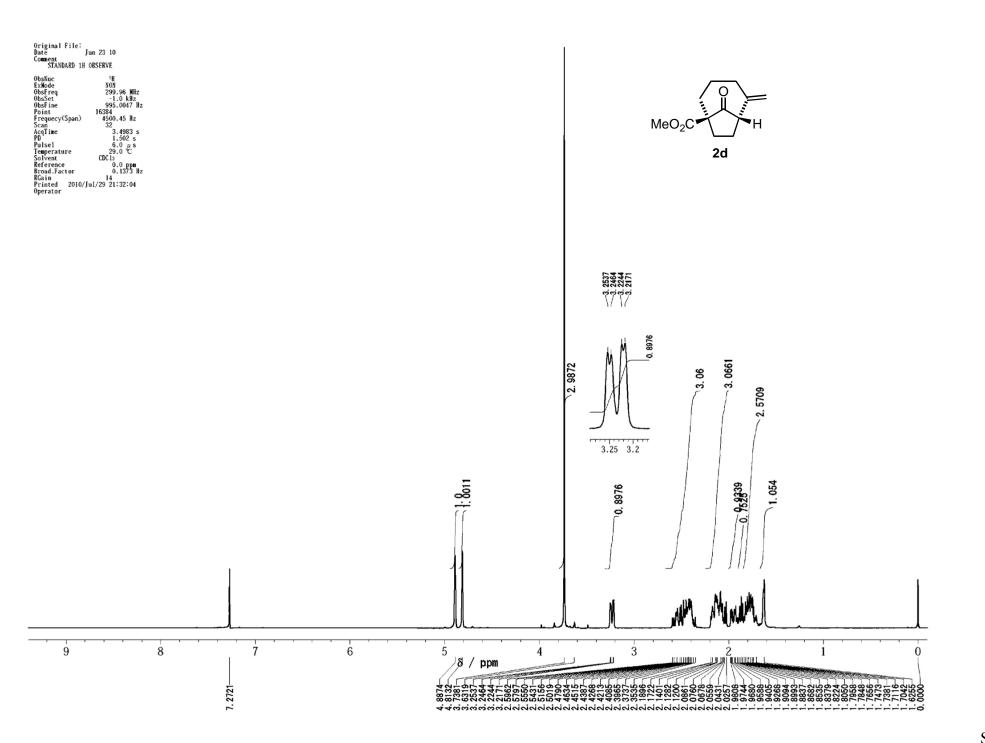
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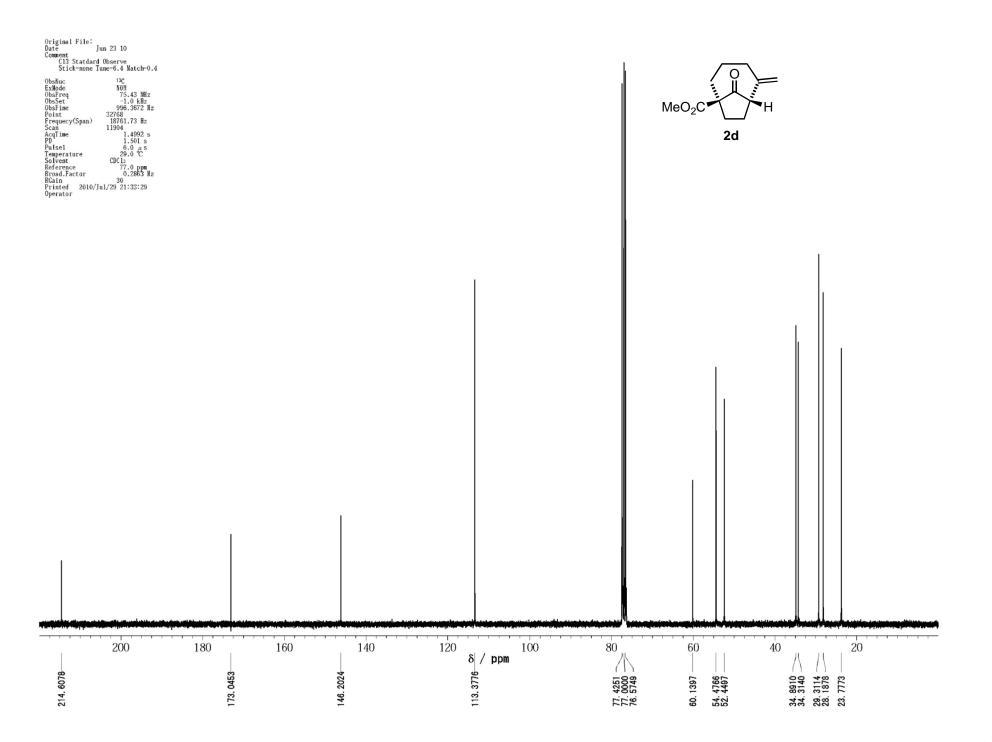


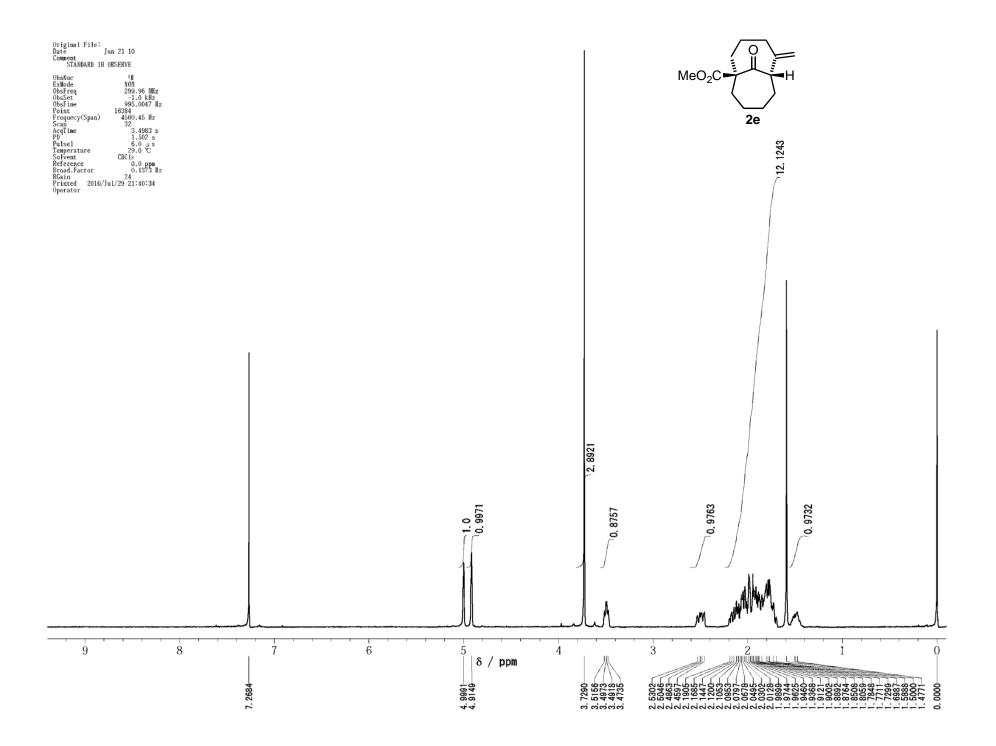


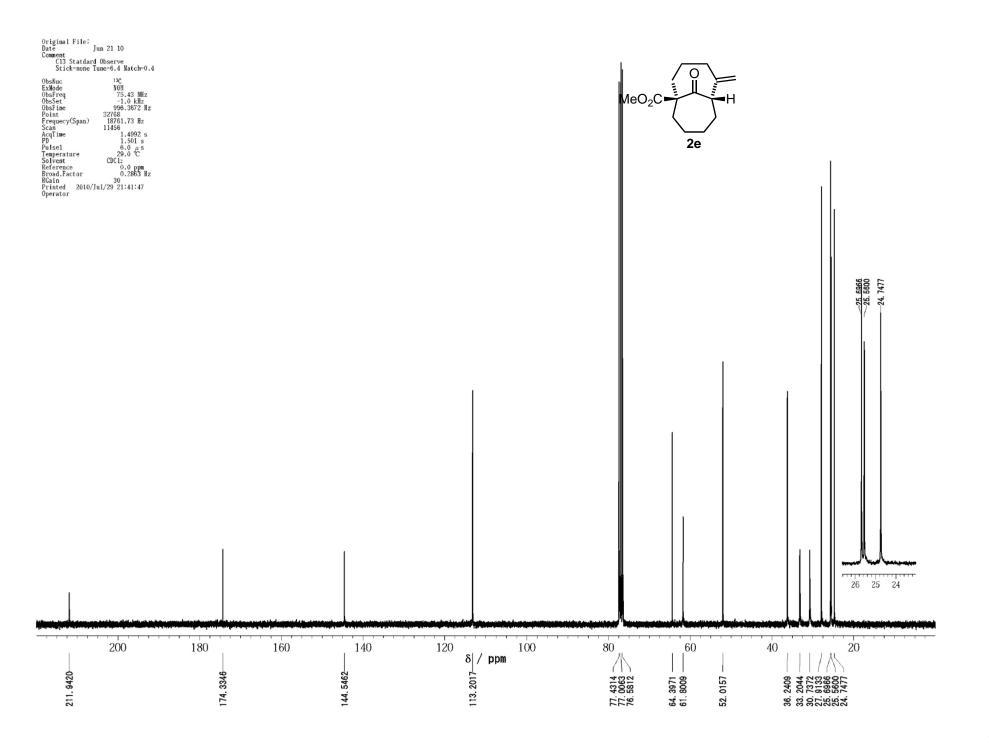


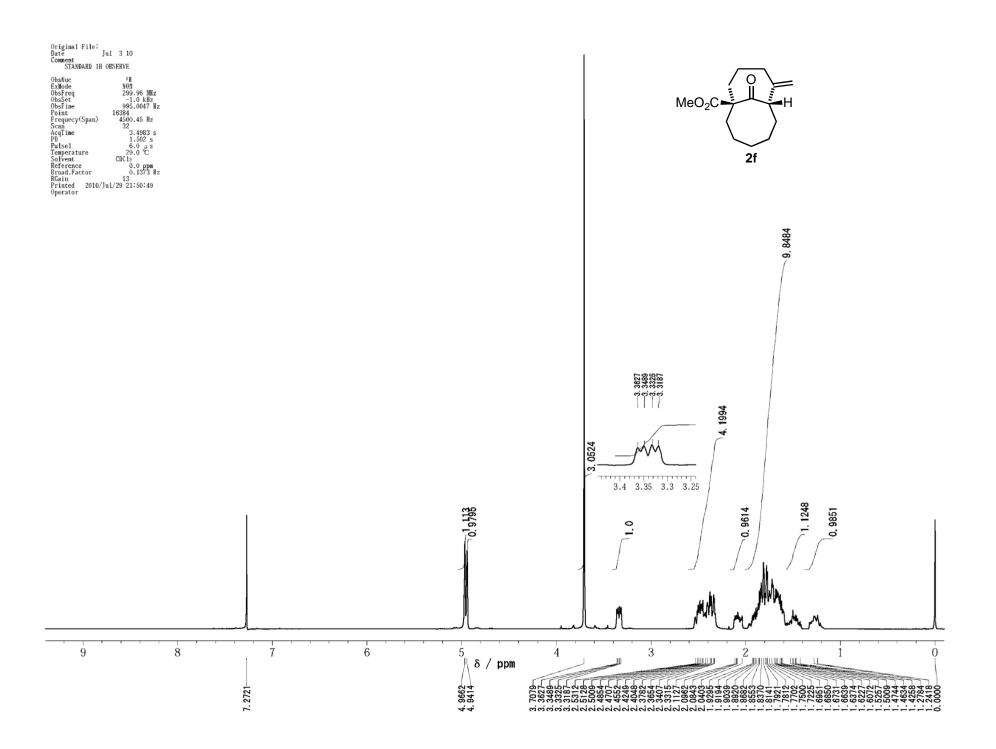


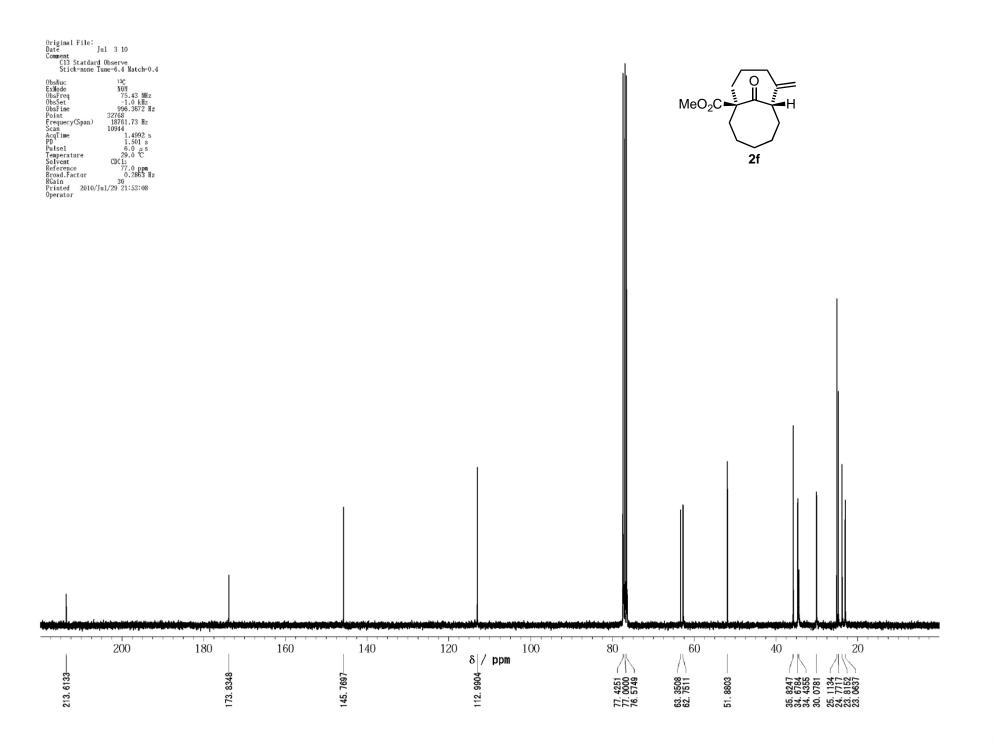




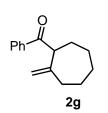


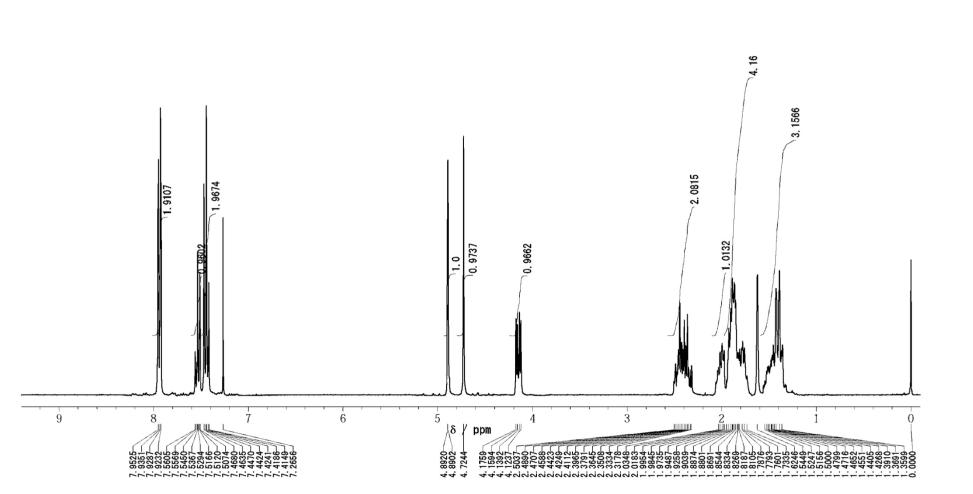


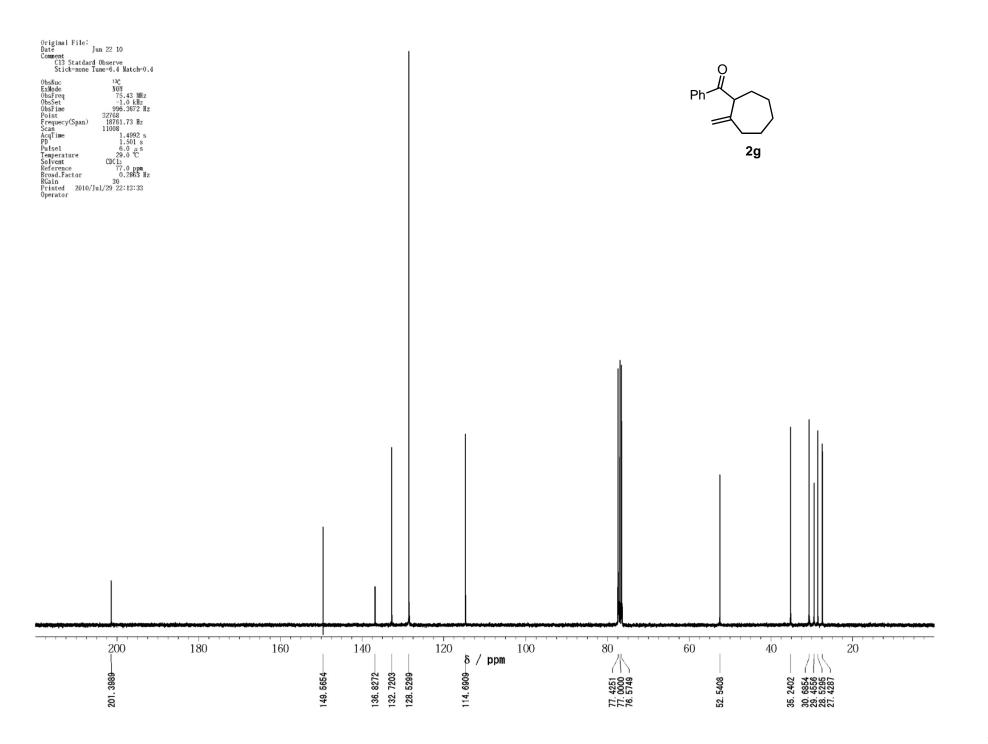




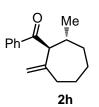
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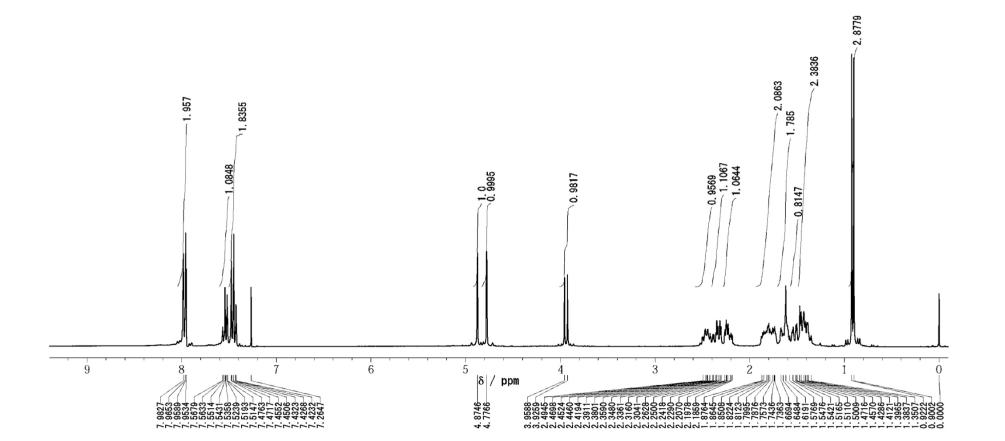


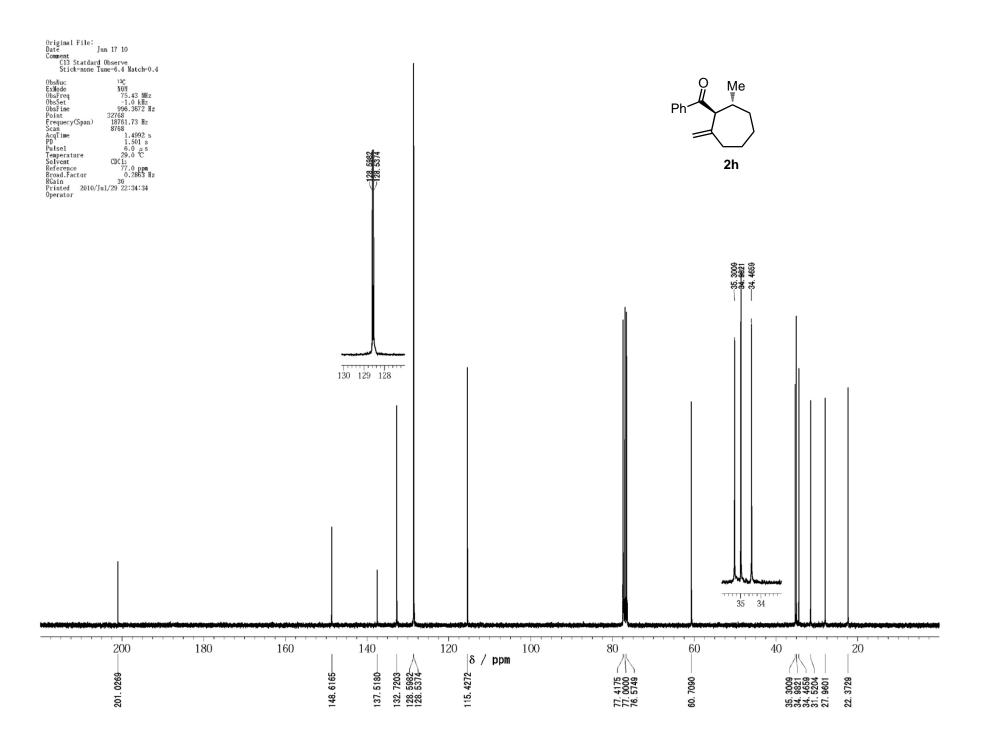


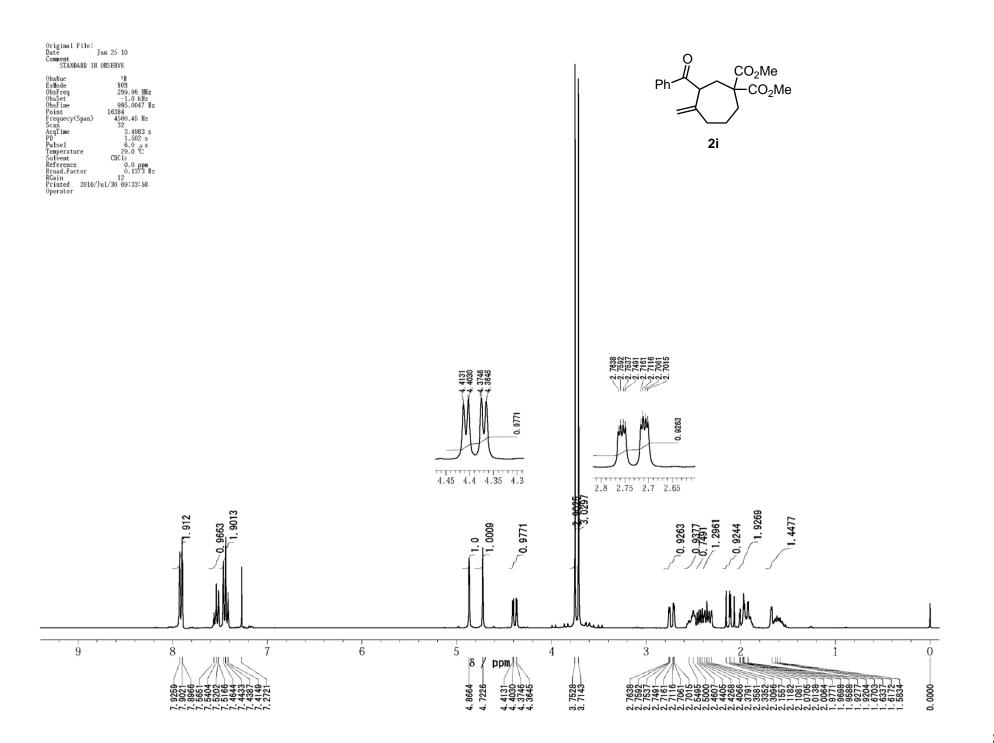


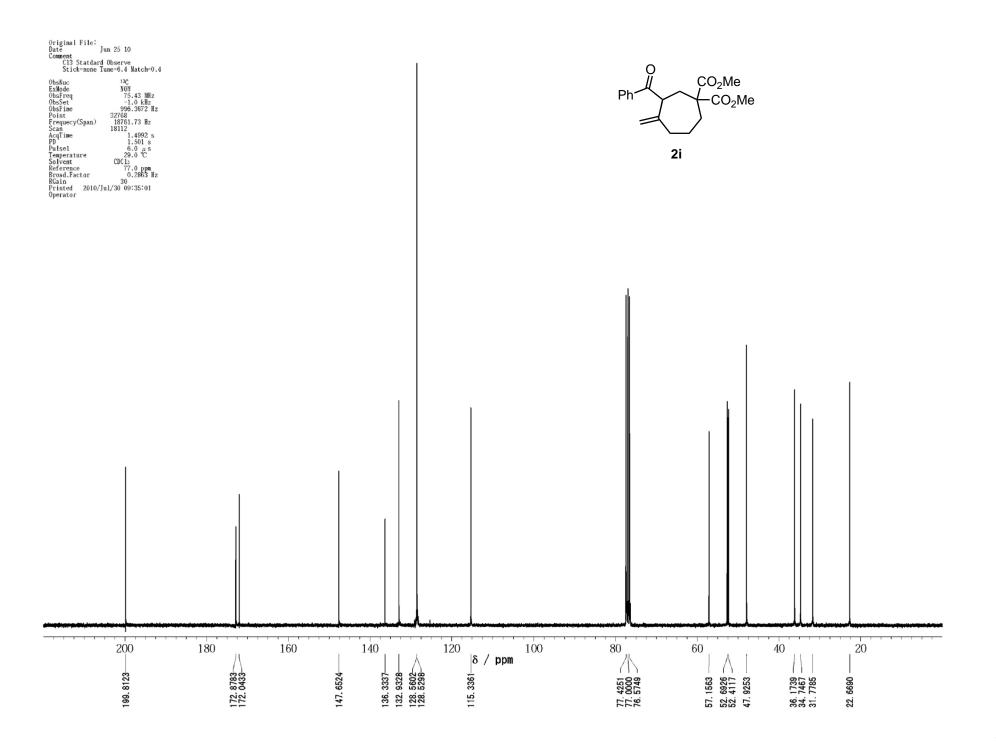
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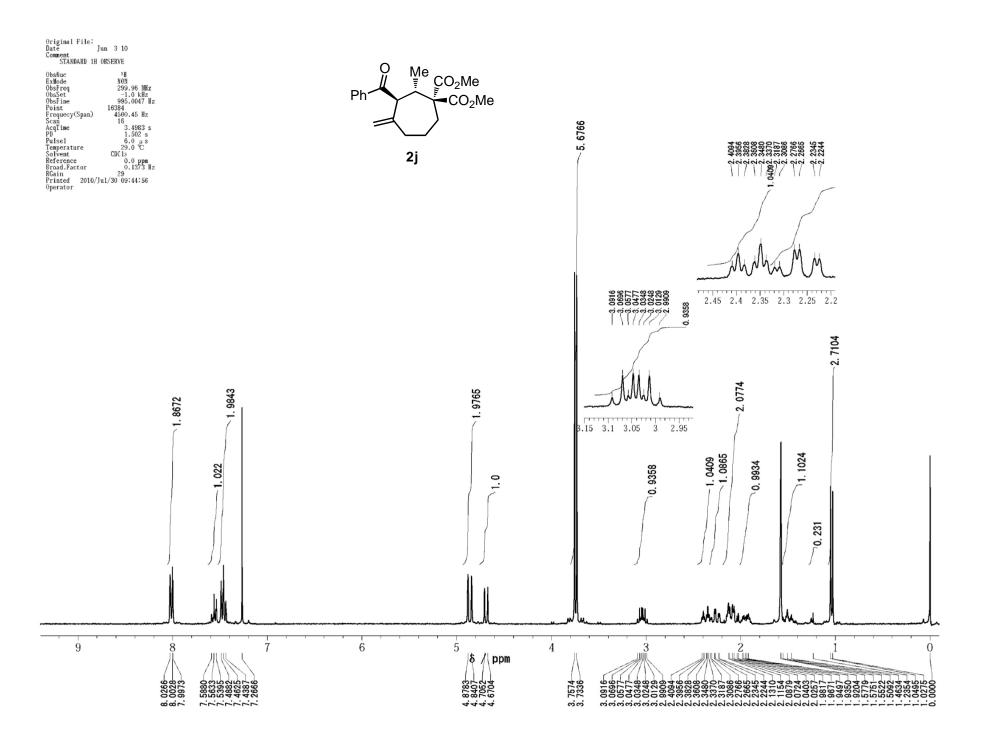


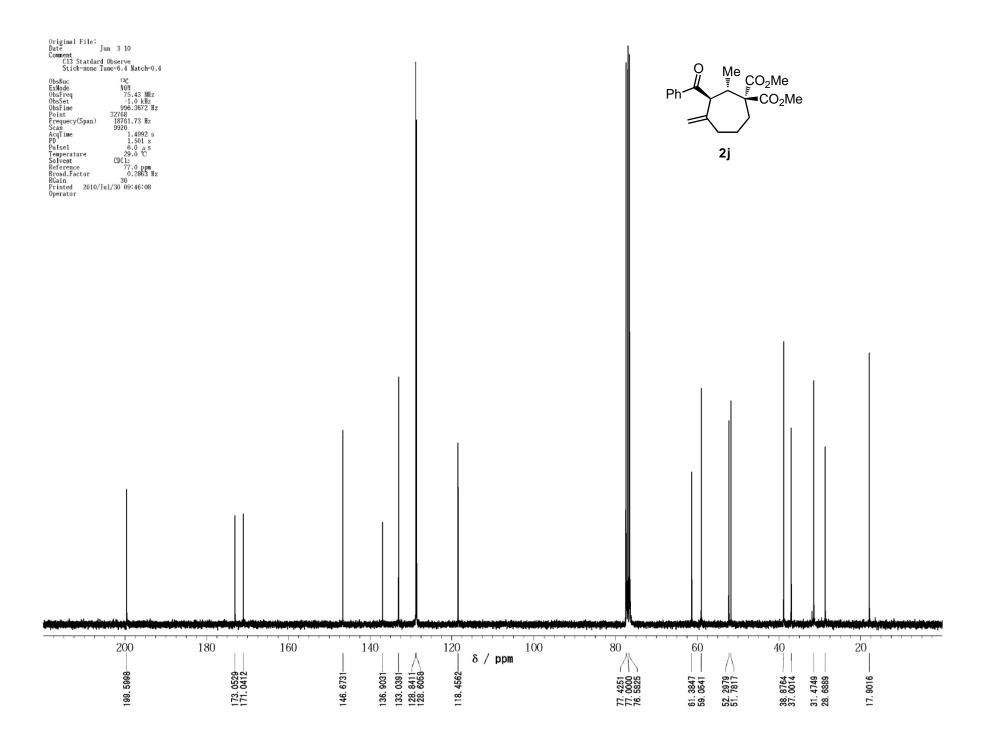


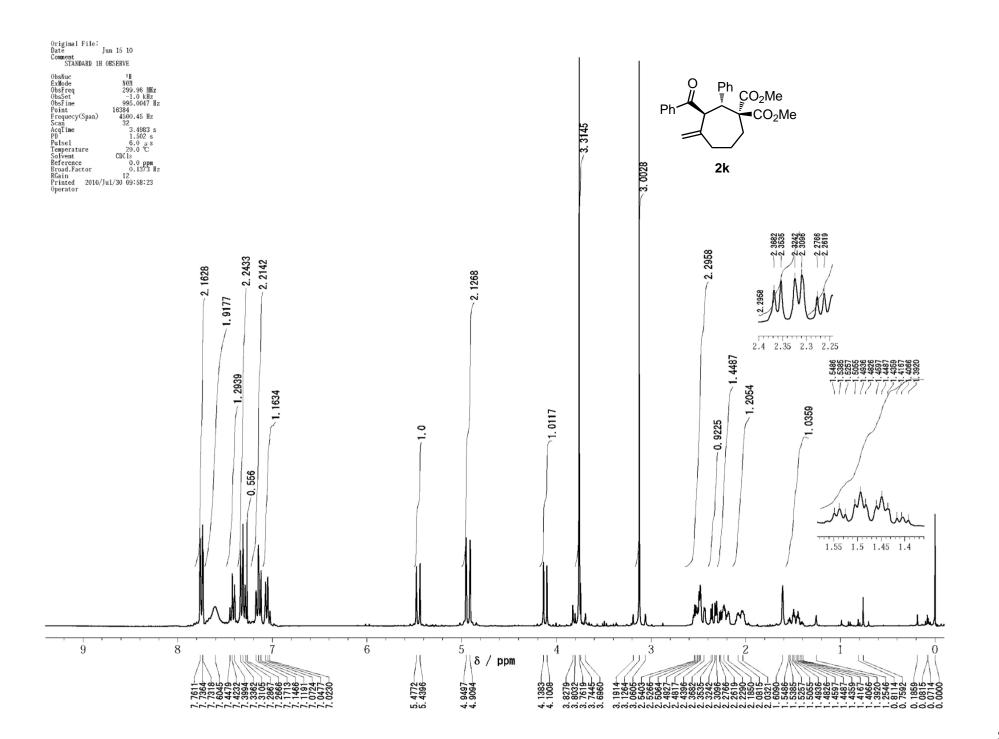


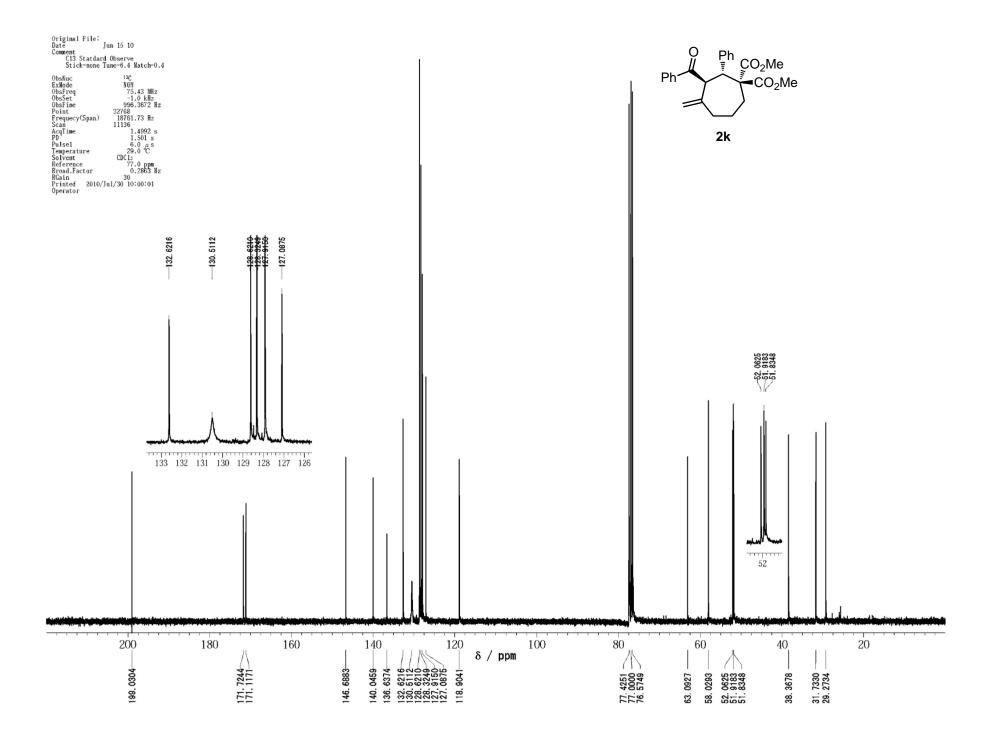


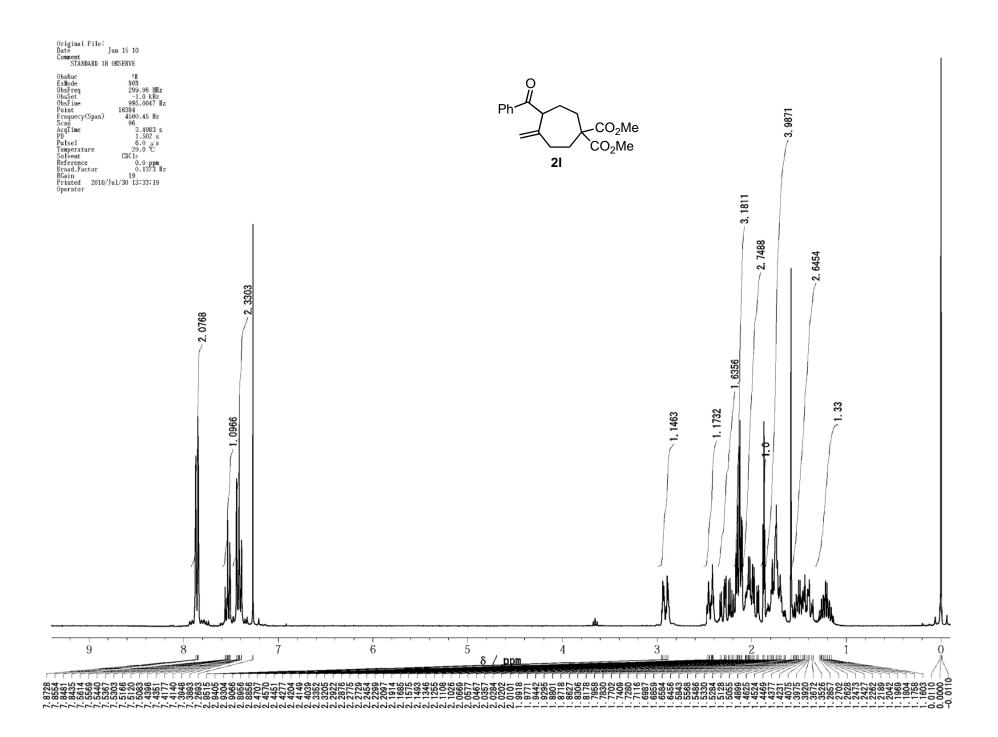


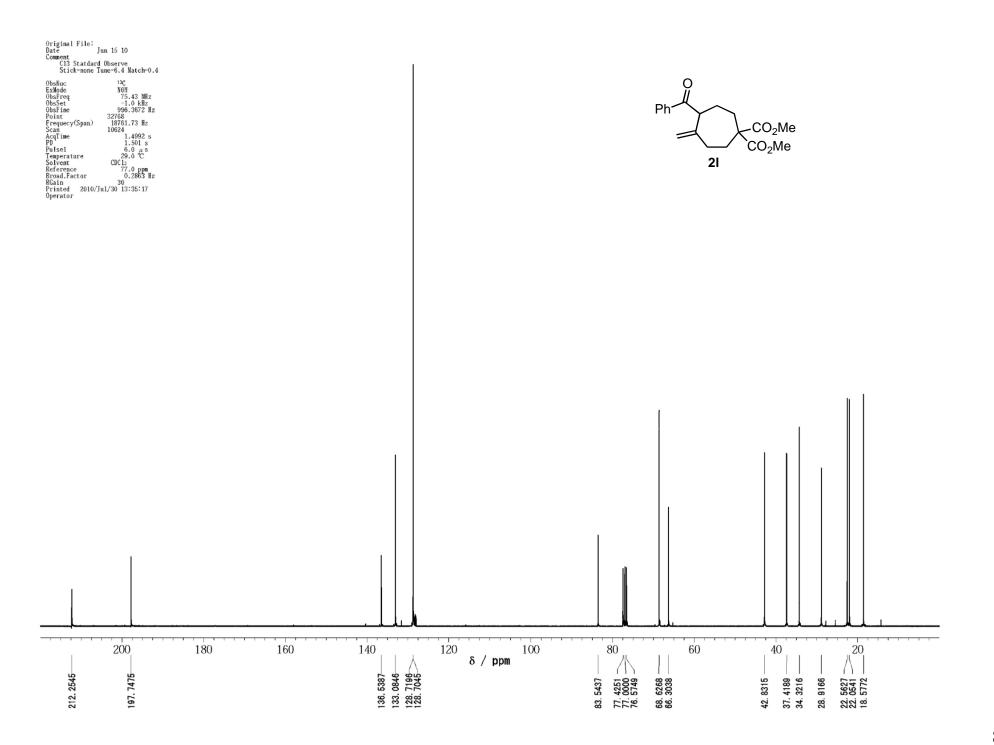


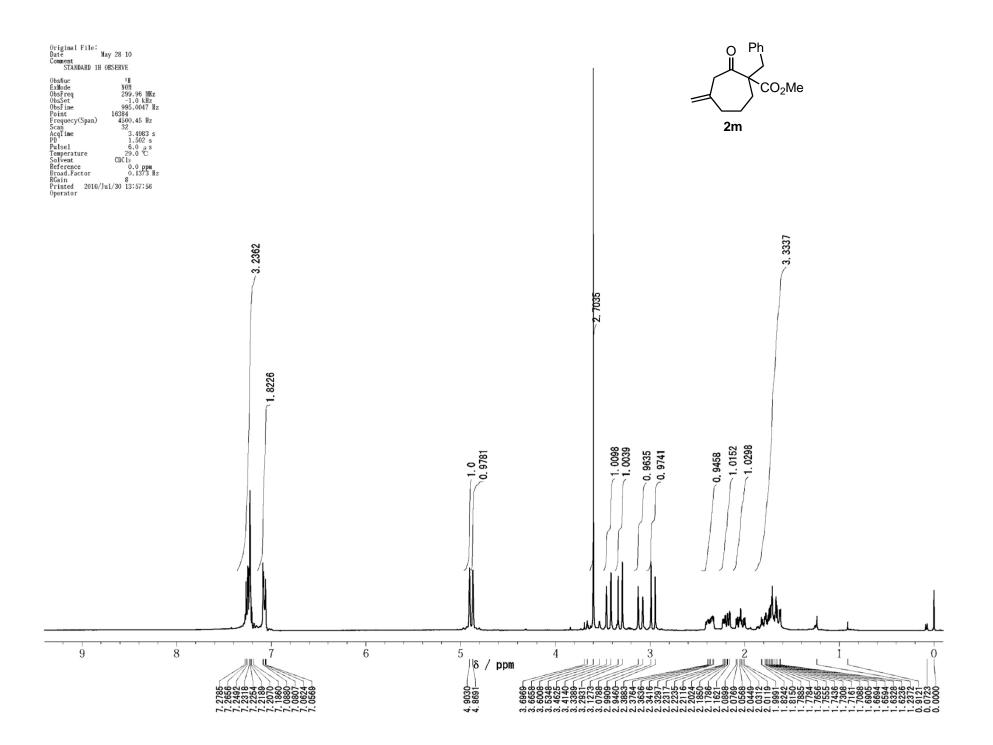


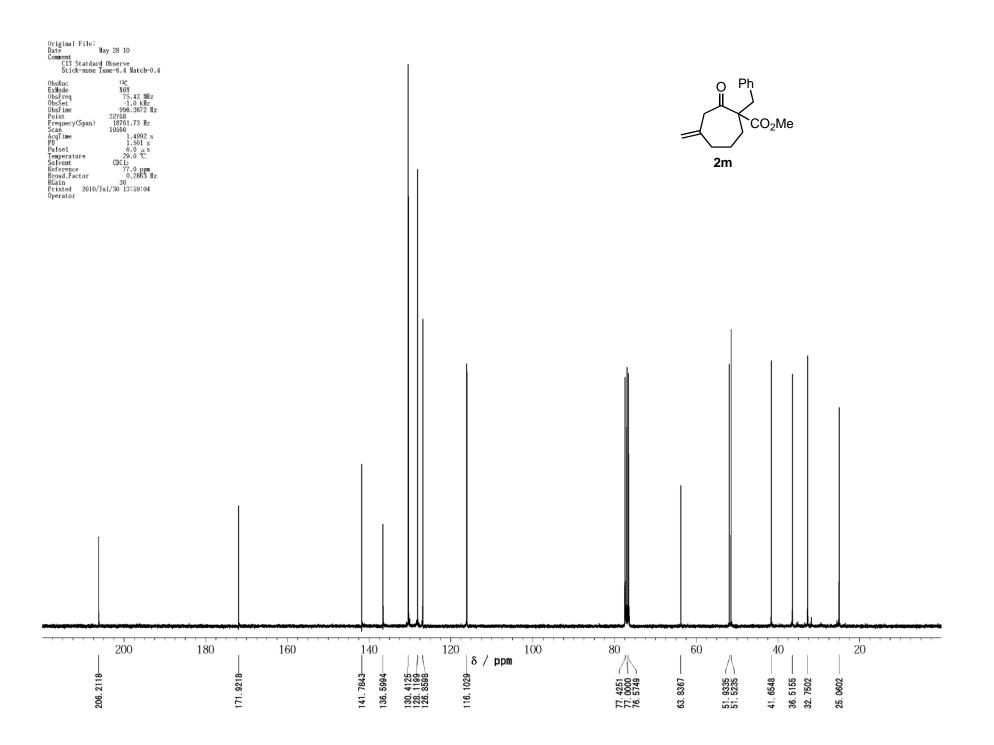


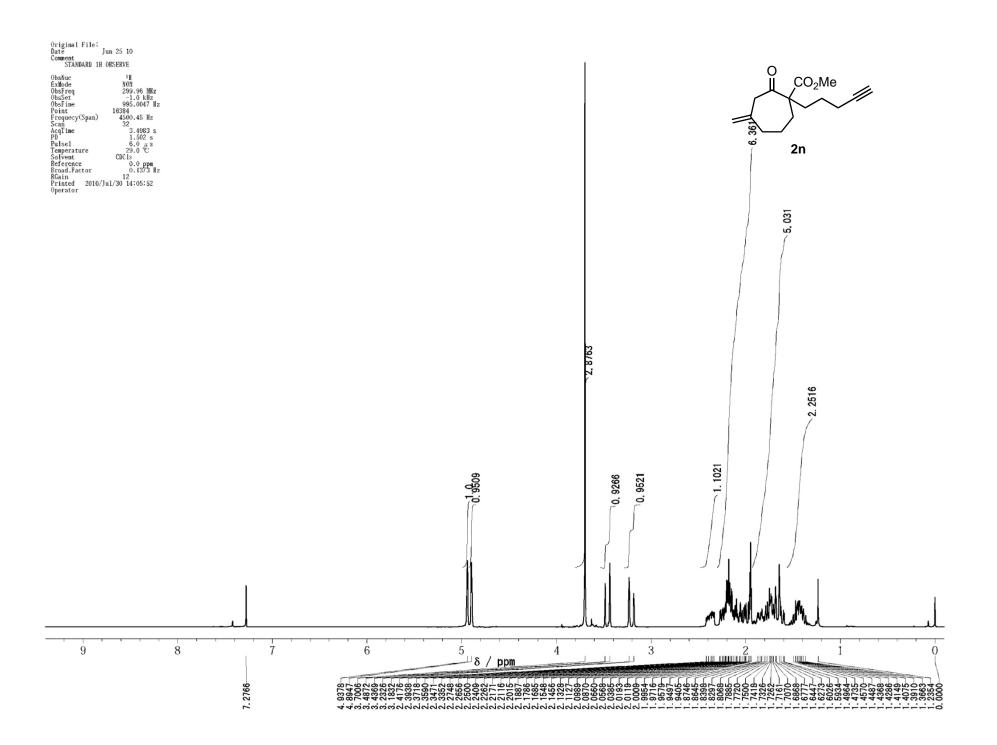












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